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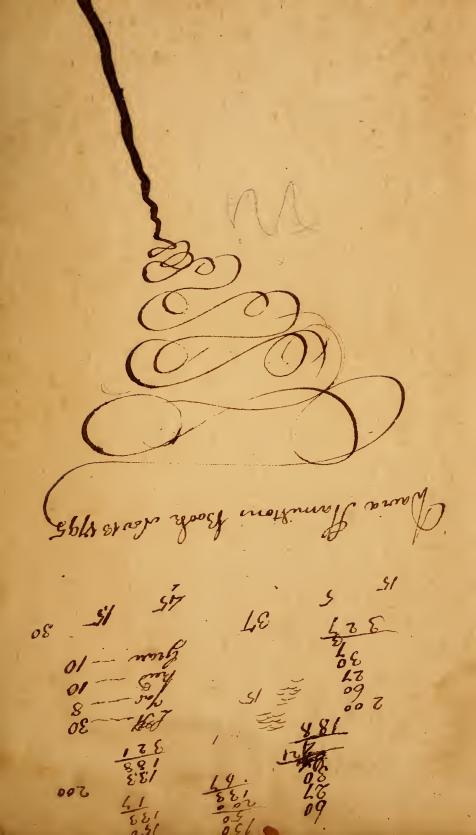
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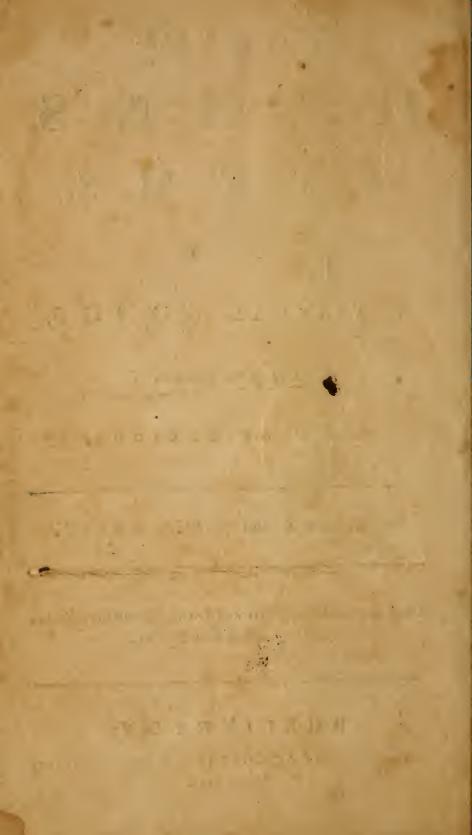
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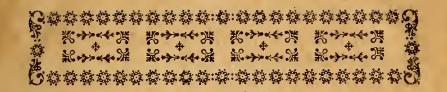
By JAMES and JOHN RELLY.

I will fing with the Spirit, and I will fing with the Underftanding also, 1 Cor. x1v. 15.

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T O T H E

READER.

THE N I say I have done as well as I could, I need no other Apology; because, in Reason, nothing can be expected in spiritual Matters, from a Man, above what he hath received; nor can he receive any Thing, except it be given him from above. The Apostle, from this Consideration, shews the Inconsistency and Unreasonableness of judging a Man for not exhibiting what he has not; or, of censuring him for the Want of what he can only have by the Gift of God: Thus arguing, What hast thou, that thou hast not received? and, if thou hast nothing but what thou hast received, why dost thou judge and set at Nought thy Brother, as though thou hadst not received it? Therefore, with Relation to the Poems and Hymns before you, I can say, such as I have received, I give unto you.

I thought it well to put the Poem, called The Believer, in the Front of the Hymns, as, in its Measure, containing and rendering a Reason of the Christian's Ground of Praise, and Delight therein. The Reason of my writing it in that Manner, was, its flowing, with Regard to Method and Matter, upon my Mind unsought, without Thoughtfuiness or Study; and not from an Imagination of my having any Skill in Poetry, especially that Sort of Verse. And when I have, since its first Printing, (fancying myself somewhat more skilful) attempted some Alterations, I have found myself utterly insufficient; so that you have it as in the first Edition, the Alteration of a few Words excepted.

The Hymns, as you may perceive, are chiefly drawn from the Scriptures; and are designed, at once, to offer Praise, and to seal Instruction on the Mind; by serving as an Exposition on those Scriptures, from which they are drawn. In the general they testify of Jesus, according to the Word of the Gospel; which, neither Man's Faith, nor Unbelief, makes true, or false. And, therefore, when sung by Babes and Sucklings; yea, by those who have not known for themselves, it is as true; (and why may not the Saviour be glorified) as if the Spirits of just Men made perfect joined the Song: This puts by that stale Objection, of some People's not being qualified to perform this Part of divine Worship, because they have not experienced what they sing. Indeed where Hymns are calculated to fing what we sec, what we know, what we feel; it is another Case:

Case: For then they are so stuffed with Egotism, that very few, comparatively, can join the Song. But when People are content to see, to know, to feel the Goodness of our Saviour with private Thankfulness before him; (not making their own Enjoyments and Attainments the Matter of their Song) and are, by all this, drawn to make Jefus, as he is in himself, as the Gospel declares him, the Subject of their Praise; then his Praise stands open to all; and all may fing the Truth towards God: And certainly this comes nearest the Song of the Blessed above: Worthy is the Lamb, &c. for-ever dwells upon their Tongues. And to say that a Man cannot fing the Truth, except he has known it, and felt it for himself, is to say, that a Man cannot speak the Truth, when he relates a Fact received upon the best Authority, except himself hath seen it: Which, by the Way, is to invalidate the Authority of the Scriptures, to put sensible Demonstration before Faith, and then it is not the Evidence of unseen Things.

These are the Reasons, I would give, of the Hymns running generally in the Manner beforementioned: And where any of them answer not to this, let it be imputed to Over-sight and Insufficiency, and not to Design.

You may observe my Brother's Hymns, which follow in the second Part, are for Matter one with mine, though differing in Method, having not taken them methodically from any particular Scriptures; but breaking-forth as raptured Praise from a gladened

chain of Matter, glanced at many peculiar Glories of the Saviour, as declared in the Gospel. And, upon the Whole, I may venture to affirm for myself, and I am persuaded for him also, that our Aim in them is nothing less than to set forth the Beauty and Excellency of Jesus Christ our Lord! to his Praise, and the unspeakable Joy of all Beholders: That they may sing with the Spirit, and with the Understanding also, the Praises of him who hath loved us, and washed us from our Sins in his own Blood.

Holy and reverend is his Name!





THE

BELIEVER.

BOOK I.

CONTAINING

A Reason of the AUTHOR's Choice of this Subject; Complaint of Partiality and Bigotry: With a Word of Advice to the Reader.

MY Mind, illiterate, unpolished, Like a wild Waste, by no industrious Hand

Early improv'd, must leave Creation's Song
To higher Geniuses. The Want of Learning,
Study, Expanse and Readiness of Thought,
Confines and limits me: Fruitless, unskill'd
In Meditation on Earth and Skies, the
Wond'rous Works of God; which nobler Minds,
by

Him inspir'd, withal capacitated, By prudent Search, Enquiry rational, Have with Success, Beauty and Elegance, Divinely sung. Disclaiming all Pretence To these advent'rous Flights, I am content Alone to tread that Path, and follow that More certain Track, wherein the Traveller, Tho' a Fool, shall never err. Jesus, the Way, the Truth, the Life; his Birth, his Life, and Death, the Steps, by which I shall ascend up To the holy Hill, where all the Blessings Of his Blood, immense, unnumber'd, are by Me posses'd. I choose this Theme, because my Joy, my Health, my quick'ning Spirit, Life and Marrow of my Bone; Wine to my drooping Heart, and Oil to all my Wounds. My sure, tho' Humble Steps, there will I take, advancing With a Song of Praise to true Perfection.

Knowing myself, I know that Man is vain, Is partial, and rarely brought to think, to Hear, to read impartially; or thus to Judge, of what is not his own. Prejudice, Love's Bane, and Ruin of Society, An envious Fiend, bitter, implacable, Malicious, and uncharitable; curst Salamander, bred in the Fire of Hell, The only Element in which it lives; A meagre Fury, Spawn of gigantick Pride and Wrath; Monster, Hide-bound, lean, raving,

And unfatisfy'd, when ev'ry godlike
Thought it has devour'd. Truth, Friendship,
Kindness,

Charity, impartial Honesty, still Falls a Prey to this; insensibly, by

This destroy'd. Spiritual Fever, burning, Pleuritick, contracts the generous Mind, Straitens the Bowels, diffurbs all Peace, and Will not fuffer the Object of its Wrath And Envy to possess his Life: Against Him enrag'd, from him refusing Light or True Instruction, it raises numberless Objections against the Word of Truth, and Life itself, if spoke by him; yea, thinks the Worse of Christ, if such he will assist, and Evidence to Man his Presence with them. Thus fain would have him angry with all whom It condemns. If this, the Object of its Hate, be blefs'd, 'twill not believe; but if 'tis Evident, beyond Objection, then it Pines, as poison'd with his Joy. It hates the Gospel for his Sake, if he successful Is therein; starts from the Truth, tho' known to What it knoweth wrong, and builds again what Once the Man destroy'd, only Revenge to Gratify, and crush the hated Worm. He is still above it, steadfast in Truth And Liberty, which it cannot deny, Then will it represent him as knowing Only, not enjoying, or possessing What he speaks, and makes Confession of.

To prove this Evidence as true, it has A Microscope; greatly, in Virtue, to Magnify, or make appear, what else the Naked Eye could not discern. Thro' this, it Calls the World to gaze upon the Man it

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Hates: There the smallest Grain of Sand swells to A mighty Rock, rugged, and dreadful to Behold; whilst Insects, much smaller than our Notice, there like Lions look, or favage Beasts, of Forms various, starts the Spectator As affrighted; and thinks, nor Fruitfulness, nor Peace, nor Safety's there. Thus Prejudice, as In a Glass, presents the Man it hates, where Ev'ry Mole-hill rifes to a Mountain; Spitefully aggrandizing each Word and Work imperfect, spoke or done by him: With Artful Accent, and fubtile Period, it Aggravates his Crimes. From his Confession, And Repentance, towards God and Man, it Will give a publick Proof of his being Criminal, until his Memory and Name's cast forth, to the loathing of his Word And Person: Thus furious will it smite the Object of its Hate, tho' through the Saviour's Sides. Oh cruel Prejudice! which gives no Quarter, knows not how to spare, dreams it is Injur'd, and never will forgive: Like Ham, Betrays the Father's Nakedness, and like Him curs'd; fince it betrays, torments, and yet Will crucify afresh the Lord of Life And Glory, with Pain and open Shame, and That with Greediness, rather than not with Cruelty oppress the poor and hated Man. O dreadful Prejudice! what Mischief Hast thou wrought! Exposing and condemning That in others, which in thyself is spared:

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Yea worse, far worse, foster'd in thee, in thee Conceal'd, and yet is but a little one.

O hateful Prejudice! Like Adders deaf, Thou shut'st thy Ears against the Truth, and wilt Not hear the Charmer's Voice, however wife he Charm, because thy Image, Mind, and Features, Are not feen on him: Yet, tho' thou wilt not Hear, thou deem'st it Herefy; and thus, in Rage, condemnest what thou know'st not. Thou Wouldst forbid whoe'er would work a mighty Work or Miracle, and follows not with Thee! Thou hardly thinkest Good can any Where be done, or any Thing of Moment Possibly effected, where thou art not Concern'd! Thou wilt not be convinc'd that God Can work, or will, but by fuch whom thou, in Thy great Wisdom wilt approve of! Thou lov'st Thyself, and only lov'st Thyself; and where Thou lov'st thy Neighbour, it is for thine own Sake: The Cause is his Subserviency: From Him thou gatherest, in Thought, or Word, or Work, or Shameness in Opinion, joining In Spirit with thee, in all thy Ways, and Each Proposal, made by thee. Whilst thus, then Is he fafe; no Spot is feen, nor shall the Deepest stain appear, his Sin is cover'd, And each Infirmity is hid. But if To his Conscience and his God, he faithful Is, and crofs thy Purpofes, with Fire and Sword thou followest him, blowing the brazen Trumpet of Reproach, Slander, Calumny, And

And Slaughter; trembles the Earth, whilst all the Sons of God, and Men, are at a Loss to Think. Thus raves the hellish Hag, accurred Prejudice, new Conquests makes, whilst Millions Are her Subjects, spreads her Dominions wide From Sea to Sea, aims at universal Monarchy, and Conquest of the World. Long Has the true Believer stood the Mark of All its Envy, Calumny and Rage: With Infamy it brands him; often it writes His Name in Catalogue of Reprobates, And fain would drown him in Perdition. Scars and Bruises might he shew, with many Wounds, fresh bleeding, daily receiv'd from this Infernal Foe. To authorize its Rage And Bitterness, it turns his Accuser And pleads, that he's a Sinner; this he'll With true Remorfe confess: But this sufficeth Not, except for Proof more pregnant, of the Accufation. Faith and Repentance it Refuses, and, like the old Novatian, Admits not of the Prodigal's Return, Nor will it fuffer the poor Backflider Ever to be heal'd. As Messengers of Job, each Day, and Hour, Report is made, and Tidings fresh are brought, of Loss of Friends, Of Name, and Reputation, Slander, vented New, and dire Reproach, old Infirmities Rais'd from the Dead, new cloath'd, new painted, and Sent into the World, to rob him of his

Sent into the World, to rob him of his Peace, his Life, and to perfuade the Land, to Spew

Spew him out. From every Quarter, it fo Warmly plies him, he scarce has Time to breathe, Nor will it fuffer him to lift his Head. No Terms of Peace will it accept, unless He will dispair, and curse his God, and die. Like foaming Waves of Sea, it raiseth Mire And Dirt, at him fo truly levell'd, that Now he hath no Part, but what's defil'd, all Cover'd o'er with Filth: The Robe excepted, Which Earth, nor Sin, nor Hell, can ever fpot: In that he'll wrap himself, and solemnly Appeal, from Jewish Law, and Righteousness, And partial Tribunal, to thy great Seat Of Judgment, and impartial Justice, most Exalted Cafar, great King, and holy Emperor of Earth and Skies. Preserve the Soul 'till then, nor fuffer thou the Flesh (so Often tempted, to make Reprifals on The Foe, and to render Railery for Its railing) ever to have its Way. And, To thy Praise, I'll now confess, that I had Fainted, if I had not in thee believ'd.

Since I have fcarce a Friend, I need not be Surpris'd with Fear or Terror, left these Lines Should fall into a partial Hand, because An Enemy. But yet, I would advise The Reader, and petition him, judge not Before thou read'st, nor then, before thou shalt Have Grace to understand. Thou wilt say 'tis Heresy; first, imitate the honest Old Bereans, and nobly search the Scripture, Whether

Whether it is fuch or not. Or wilt thou Say, 'Tis only Speculation, Produce... Of Knowledge, empty, transient, by Passions Working natural affifted? Is it The Truth? If such, he does not well, who yet Will cenfure it. My Word I give, as the Only Pledge I here can give, that I am Now determin'd, to speak of nothing, nor Treat of other Matter, than what I do In Mercy, handle, taste, and feel, of the Great Word of Life. I own it Foolishness, If that be thy Objection: But if thou Read impartially, on cooler Thought, thou Wilt perceive, 'tis the Foolishness of God, The Mystery of the Cross, far wifer Than the wifest Man. Suspicion here creeps In, that thy own Wisdom's Folly, whilst Proof Infenfibly will steal upon thee, that God is only wife. Enthusiasm fay'st Thou? is it unreasonable? What Proof? I Cannot comprehend: Is that sufficient Proof? must all Men's Reason but keep Pace with Thine? with thine confin'd, and limited, dark, Slumb'ring, fetter'd, grovelling in the Duft? Is Thine the Standard, Balance, and eternal Rule, to try the Orthodoxy, Weight and Justness, of all other's Thoughts, and Reason By? Vain Man! blush at thy Vanity, thy Pride, and at thy own Unreasonableness. As Nimrod, still thy Head would'st lift, above Thy Fellows? Aspiring still to be a God, thou pluck'st forbidden Fruit. Yea such thou Art,

Art, in thine own Sentiment, Wilt condemn as Herefy, and j Foolifhnefs, what thou approv'st no That because not by thee comprel

Read then with candid Love and Ca

And generous Principle, fuch as at The first you had when Jesus gain'd your Heart: 'Fore 'twas spoil'd, and bigoted with doubtful Terms of Orthodoxy, Traditions, Schemes, Doctrines and Forms of Man, pernicious and Detested Wisdom of the present Age. In this baptiz'd, immediately the Lamb A roaring Lion does commence: And the (Once) charitable Christian, proves a fierce And fiery Bigot. Such not the Mind of Christ, nor of the Christian Man, who lives with Him: With him content and fatisfied, as With the better Part. Such fly the Wrath, and Bitterness, Pride, Envy, Malice, Revenge, And want of Charity, conceiv'd in Hell; The Brat of Antichrist, and Darling of the Bigot: Carefully nurs'd; by Precept And Example recommended, under The Name of Christian Zeal for Holiness And Truth. How can it be, that out of Zeal For Holiness, Man should hate his Brother? Where is the Proof of greater Holiness In him? or where, when in Defence of Truth Against the Heretic, (by him so named) He breathes Revenge and Slaughter, heaps on him Slander.

Reproach, reveals all ough to the wounding, of a Saviour's Name: And, that this is Proof alse and heterodox?

this envious Argument is true, Then proves it false the Person who propos'd It. Since each judicious Eye can fee it Stated in the Lofs of Truth, Reproach of Christ, and Forfeiture of his Religion. Whilst all its nervous Force confists in base Deceit and Treachery; in Treatment to His Neighbour shewn, which he would not again, With Willingness, receive from him. Murd'rous, Atheistick Practice, and Wickedness Most manifest. Lord, what is Man? Yea what Are Christian Men, so call'd; when the most Pious, and greatest Advocates for Truth and Holiness, are so deceitful, and so Spiritually wicked? O my God, didst Thou vouchfafe no greater Proof, of the deep Divinity and Truth of thy most pure And holy Gospel, than what is gather'd From the best of all that call upon thy Name, from their Conformity to Thee, I Sure should hate the Christian Name and straightway

Be an Atheist. But that I am not such, Thou know'st. And would by thy Direction make Confession of my Faith in thee, my God.



BOOK II.

Of the Humiliation of Christ, in his Birth, Life, Poverty, &c. And of Faith in him.

The general Assembly of the First-Born Church; where all the scattered Members of Zion militant, with every perfect
Unimbodied Spirit, Member of Church
Triumphant, meet together; to bless the
God incarnate, keep Holiday, and taste
The precious Sabbath: Where all together
Make but one dear Body of all the blest
And holy Brotherhood; the deep, divine
Original is Mary's facred Child,
In Bethl'em born. There find we all the Curse
Of our Nativity remov'd; then learn
We Thankfulness, and not 'till then, for our
Creation, Being, Birth, Distinction from the
Brute, thro' Sense and Immortality.

Deep Mystery of God incarnate, the Everlasting Father, Creator, God Almighty, a helples Infant born! Of Woman's Seed and Substance, took he my whole Humanity, my Nature fallen; and Thus espous'd me to the Fulness of his

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Godhead:

Virgin's Womb mysteriously mber. Confess'd as God, by him in her Womb, when her Soul a God her Saviour, and Spirit ared the Lord. Worship'd his Name by ane young Baptist, when in Mother's Belly; He heard the joyful Tidings of holy Incarnation: Tho' incapable of Reasoning, he leap'd and strangely bounded: As Tho' o'ercome with Joy, he Adoration Pay'd to him, his Lord, and God, and Bridegroom, Whose Harbinger he was. With like Surprize, Wonder, and Joy unspeakable, I see Him born, Ancient of Days, and Father of Eternities, a helples Child. The God, Whose Presence fills infinite Space, upon His Creature's Knee. Nourish'd by her, whom his Own Hands had made, and powerful Word had Spoken into Being; nor could she for A Moment's Space exist, without the Power And Godhead of that Child, she in her Arms Bare. He, her Creator, and as finful Woman, blefs'd and fav'd by him. Great Son of Mary, hail! born to universal Reign And Monarchy. Ambassadors attend From every World, to pay thee rightful Homage in thy humbled State. From Heaven The Angels come to own thy Government And Right to wear the Crown. From Heathen Lands

And Earth's remotest Bounds, the Princes come To worship thee, great Monarch! To render Tribute Tribute, due from them as Subjects. Wife Men They were, no Man that's truly wife, but what Will bow to thee. For thine own faithful Friends, On whom is nam'd thy Name, Simeon of old, And Anna, welcom'd Thee: In all their Names, With Gladness, Joy, an unknown Extasy. Most backward was the Prince of Hell to own Thy kingly Power, the Grandeur of thy Reign: At length, compell'd to own thee, not only Equal, but his great Superior; and that Before thy greatest Enemies: Now crushed By thy Almighty Arm, he finks, despairs, And fawns, the once the brightest, most radiant, Of the Morning Stars: When he refus'd to Worship thee, was curs'd, degraded, cast from Worlds of Light, and now petitions for a Lodging in a Herd of Swine. And, lastly, I, as out of due Time born, exceeding Late, but not too late, am come to own thy Godhead in thy Birth: Thy Majesty, great King of Kings, thy Right to reign and govern This poor Heart of mine, ever, ever thine. Amaz'd, I view, with infinite Delight, The infant God. With me the Angels gaze, As having not so seen their God before: Glories ineffable, Brightness divine, Infufferable, 'till now had been his first And upper Garment; they daring not to Look on him, as thus array'd, trembling wrap'd Their Faces in their Wings, and loudly in The highest, with Voice like Thunder-claps, yet With tremendous Rev'rence, fung for-ever, Holy,

Holy, holy, holy; but now they gaze Their fill; prompted, by long Defire, to look Into the Mystery; tho' curious in Their Search, intense, and diligent, they fail To found the Depth of Incarnation. I Found them in Amazement when I came: All Heaven deep in Study, puzzled afresh Each Moment at deeper Wonders rifing To their View: Them drowning in eternal Depths of Infinity. High Seraphims, And knowing Cherubims, Dominions, Thrones, Angels, Archangels, Principalities And Powers, all stood as lost in deepest Thought: As when a curious Searcher fain would Learn Impossibilities. Their Eyes as Fix'd, their Faces Seats of Wonder, Centre Of all the Powers, of Worship, Joy, Delight, And Love, pointed me out the new-born God. With them I gaz'd, nor was it long before The Morning-Star arose, and Light dawn'd in My Soul; my God I knew in Form of an Infant; I bow'd the Knee; with me they Bow'd; I cry'd, my Lord, my God, Creator, And Preferver; they join'd with me: I faw My Nature born anew, of that which once Was marr'd, a nobler Veffel made. Said I, He wears my Flesh, my Maker is my Friend, My Husband; at this, they stood amaz'd; I Added, I'm a Son, Member, and therefore One with him, that holy Thing, born of a Woman, call'd the Son of God. Febovah In very Deed, comes down to dwell with me, Incarnate.

Incarnate, O the joyful Sound! now my Election, and my Calling's fure. This, the First Moment I e'er was truly thankful For my Creation, and that I am a Man: When wand'ring in Uncertainties, with Bitterness, I curs'd the Day, when first I Saw the Light, and wish'd a brutal Mind and Form, rather than what I was: But now no More of that, my God is born, born in a Mortal's Form, born in my Nature, in my Flesh, and by the Spirit's Pow'r, born in My inmost Soul: Glory to Thee, O Lord.

Great Son of Mary, hail! thy Birth the deep Foundation of my perpetual Sonship:
Thy Love to Man, to me, unfathom'd, since, For my Sake and Safety, thou wert a poor, And helpless Infant born. O Wonder, and Astonishment! deep boundless Mystery, Omnipotence whose powerful Word, wisely From Chaos, spoke unnumber'd Worlds to Life And Being, from nothing made; hung by him In boundless Space, only supported by His Deity, is here a speechless Child:
In Want of Raiment, Food and Nourishment, But yet, incapable of asking, to Have his Wants supply'd. Those Hands, that made and

Spread the starry Plains abroad, the Heav'ns like A Curtain; those Hands, that grasp'd the awful Sceptre, and sway'd it o'er ten thousand Worlds, That slung the dreadful Thunderbolts of War; When

When mighty Angels, in Rebellion, thought To shake his Throne: Till drove like tim'rous Deer,

By him, to endless Deeps, and there reserv'd
For future and eternal Judgment: Those
Hands are now a feeble Infant's: Whose Grasp
Is soft, unsteady, and unable to
Defend, or to relieve himself. Those Eyes
Like burning Flames, or dreadful Fires, swifter
Than Lightning, or the swiftest Comets, shoot
Terrible through Space infinite: Those Eyes
Omniscient, from which there is no Hiding.
Place, seeing all Eternities at once,
Are now, in infant Slumber clos'd: when lull'd
To Rest. Where is the Scribe, the Man who
dreams

He's wife? Where the Disputer? Can he by All his Wisdom, fathom this great Depth, this Mystery unfathomable? who dare Bow to the new Born Infant, and yet not Fear Idolatry? confess him, as the Highest, God Almighty, without any Dread of Blasphemy: Commit their Life, and Soul, into his Hands: Nor doubt his Power to Save, even to the uttermost? This Man By Wisdom natural directed, dare Not do: Reasons how can it be, starts back, And shudders at the Thought. Thus thought I once,

But now 'tis not my Case. I worship from My Heart the holy Child, no other God I know; what in him stumbles human Wit,

And Wisdom, and hinders Adoration
To be pay'd, is Proof most pregnant to my
Heart, that he, the Child at Bethl'em born, is
The eternal God. Young Bethlemite, I thee
Adore, thy Birth, hath healed mine of all
Its Curse and Malady, into a State
That's new I enter now; where Joy and Truth,
And Plenty reigns; where, as the Prince of Peace,
I am thy blest and happy Subject, here
With Delight, I'll ever learn thy great Love.

Blest are mine Eyes, for now they see; mine Ears, For now they hear the Gospel day, the Year Of Jubilee; the Glory, Light, and Love, For which the Prophets long in Darkness grop'd, When unto them it was reveal'd, that they Should minister, not to themselves, (the Depth Of this great Mystery) but me favour'd With sinding God in Fashion as a Man. Nor Flesh, nor Blood, the Revelation gave, Of this, the Ground-work, deep Foundation of All my Joy and Peace. Did God become a Man? he did: My Spirit echoes back a Man, a poor, despised, friendless, labouring Man: Poor, his Birth, his Life, and Death declares,

And yet, his Ministers, his Gospel, and His Cause, not deck'd with ornamental Gold, Nor Favour of the World: His Kingdom is Not of the same; therefore despis'd by all, High, and Low, by the Ignorant, and the Wise, By all the Fulness of the carnal Mind,

By Hell, and feemingly by Heaven, to Mortals judging according to the Flesh.

Friendless, amongst the Thousands of his Friends,

Most so, in his own House; where all lay in Their Claim, as faithful Friends to him: And more,

A Labourer was he; I faw him in The morning Light go forth, with Implements Of Toil, careful, in Honesty to earn With fweating Brow his Bread: I faw, and well I mark'd his Fingers cramp'd, and bended back, Hewing the knotty Oak; how earnest in His Work, laborious Blows, and Streams of Sweat Declare. When not a little wearied, through The human Nature's Vigour spent, that he No more the Axe could lift, I follow'd to A private, lonely Shade, where he to gain His Breath, fo well nigh spent, to gather fresh Contraction to his flacken'd Nerves, the Ferment In his boiling Veins to cool, had now in Weariness retir'd: There in a Corner I beheld him stand, or kneel, or prostrate On the Earth along; with Eyes, or Hands, or Heart uplifted, thus the Virgin's Son, the Lab'ring Man he prayed: Nor did, nor could he Then forget the Sinner me, but spake a Word, or more, on my Behalf; feal'd with a Lover's Sigh, as when the Heart-strings break: For

Me, then heard, now heard to all the endless Ages

Ages of Eternity the same. O
Lovely Bridegroom! my dear prevailing Lamb!
'Twas once a Curse to be a Labourer,
When then pronounc'd as Wages, in part, for
Adam's first Transgression; but now no more,
Since thou wast made a perfect Curse for me.

The Sun declining, leaves the Horizon, Whilst Darkness interposes, and bids the Lab'rer cease from Toil, and Rest: Fatigu'd and Weary'd, stagg'ring Home he comes. I follow'd Close, in Admiration lost, whilst pregnant Was my Soul with awful Wonder, fervent Love, and rapt'rous Extafy. Hungry and Thirsty, he blest his Food, his Drink, and fed With Appetite. After a Deed of Gift Of him and his, unto his Father and His God, with Thanks return'd for Favours of The Day receiv'd, he laid him down to rest: How fweet the Sleep, how calm the Slumber of The Industrious Man! Such was my Lord and God, and fuch his peaceful Slumber. Did I Call him Lord and God? That Man fo poor, for Spent with Labour, fo griev'd, fo try'd, and deep In Sorrow! Despis'd, unmark'd, number'd with Adam's Sons! Yea, still my Lord, my God! This Not the Product of some fantastic Brain, Nor the wild Transport of a fanguine Mind; But Faith deliberate, sufficient Proof; Which, after calmest Consideration, and Coolest Reasoning, leaves my Mind so fully Certify'd, and positively sure, as

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Of my own Existence: That he, that Man, The Galilean, is my Lord and God! Fertile this Faith producing every Hour Fresh Transport, slowing Streams of solemn Joy, Gladness in the Heart; whilst high, triumphant Sounds of sacred Praise slow from my Soul, my Tongue; and all my Pow'rs conspire to love, and Evermore acknowledge, in that dear Man So wounded, my Lord! my God! my Chief! my Head! my Husband! Shepherd! Lover! Friend and All that's dear to me! A Worm, but yet belov'd.

Blest, growing Youth! in Spirit subject to
Parents, who thy own Creatures were. Dear Man
Of Sorrows! with Grief acquainted, deeply
Immers'd in Woe: David's great Lord and Son!
Professing Poverty, and feeling it
In all its Depth, and ev'ry Circumstance
Distracting, or that in such a State might
Be the Rise of anxious Care and Sorrow.
Hungry, thirsty, weary, toiling for thy
Bread: Deny'd what Birds and Beasts were favour'd
With, a Place of Rest and Shelter, from thine
Own Voice, in Thunder Storms, blasting Lightnings,

Flooding Rains, the fiercer Whirl-wind, Scorchings

Of the meridian Sun, and chilling Dews Of Night! So poor wast thou, that, of all the Globe terrestrial, Produce of thy powerful Word, in Wisdom parcel'd out to Man, tho' To the last Degree ungrateful, one Foot Of all was not by thee referv'd, to rest Thy own afflicted, weary Head upon.

Hail, despised Carpenter! the hated Nazareen: Judg'd fo mean, contemptible A Worm, as not to merit the Regard, Nor once deserve the Notice of Israel's Master-Builders; no Form alluring, nor Comeliness attracting, in thee can they Behold: Too mean for Mammon's Worshippers; Difdain'd by Rabbies as illiterate: Whilst by the Men, who high Pretensions make To Wisdom's Ways, Thou art judg'd the Child of Ignorance, Phrenzy, Madness, and groffest Foolishness, the Friend of Publicans and Sinners; fo thought, and thus upbraided; but Truly prov'd in Holiness the same, by All who feel Redemption in thy Blood. Once Number'd with Transgressors, now the same; since Whoso in thy Name, and Gospel of thy Wounds, can work a Miracle, shall still be Branded with diabolic Characters; Whilst their Infirmities, and ev'ry Slip Shall be remember'd, and fully charg'd in Blackest and most aggravating Light, and Circumstances on them; which ever had Forgotten been, had they been false to thee.

Forerunner! Pilgrim! in unknown Sorrow Plung'd, in Spirit pregnant, with Horror, Pain, Strange Torture, deep Amazement, Agony, And undissembled Woe. Grape, fully ripe,

In Wine-press trod, by greatest Fierceness of Almighty Wrath, whilst River-streams fill up The Fountain, inexhaustible, with Wine, The richest, to quench the Thirst, and cheer, with Infinite and ever new Delight, the Innumerable Millions, with a full Fruition blest in the Kingdom of the Father. Hail, friendless Man! by one betray'd, Of all forfaken; offended at the Scandal of thy Sorrow, Dejection, Blood, And Pain: Dragg'd like a Ruffian old in Guilt, Harden'd in Murders, stain'd with Princes Blood; Who, having quench'd each Spark of Virtue, true Humanity, from Fellowship of Men Retires to some dreary Wilderness, where, In a horrid Cave, he makes his Den, and, Like a curfed Pest, breathes nought but brutal, Diabolic Fogs, poisoning a ruin'd Land; 'till the whole Nation, as one Man, arm'd With Swords and Staves, arife to feek the foul, The horrid Monster, with utmost Rage and Refolution to spill his Blood, and crush His hated Life, lest, with his curfed Breath, He lay the Nation waste: Just so they thought, And thus they treated the dear Man I love. True Emblem of my State by him affum'd, When He became a hated Curse for me.

Hail Galilean! patient in Troubles, Robb'd of thy comely Beard, the pious Mark Of Fatherhood and Gravity: Marr'd more Thy facred Face than any Man's; bruis'd, fwol'n, Bloody, by Hands of Sinners buffeted

And

And mangled; whilst, blindfold, they thy Godhead Mock, as tho' thou knewest not who smote thee; Deriding thee in ev'ry Office, Name, And facred Character, wherein thou art For-ever lovely to thy Bride. Under Thy Shadow, with Delight unspeakable, Pleas'd with the Sweetness of thy Fruit, I sit And fing, O thou bleeding Vine! whose Father Was the Husbandman: Careful Lover of The Branches; nor sparing Pains, nor Cost, to Purge away each Matter, which, fuperfl'ous Hinder'd their Prosperity. In Hope and Expectation, which none could frustrate, He Sow'd the precious Seed in many long and Bloody Furrows; when Ploughers plough'd thy pure And holy Flesh (as fallow Ground manur'd And dress'd) with Whips and Scourges, and other Devices manifold, by Earth and Hell Invented; who, in this Work, were Slaves to Pow'r omnipotent, that the Root of all The holy Seed might be deep in thy bleft Wounds, water'd with many a Shower of Blood, And Sweat, and Tears, until fo firmly fix'd And rooted, that neither Drought, nor bluft'ring Winds, nor fcorching Sun, could fpoil their Growth, nor

Marr their Fruitfulness. Blest Inclosure, well Secur'd, where ev'ry Grain that's sown shall Rise; whilst the deep Valley of thy bloody Death, fill'd with a glorious Crop, shall sing for Joy, and bring its plenteous Harvest to the Eternal Garner. This to secure, Thou

Art content to be infulted, crown'd with A thorny Crown, in Purple dress'd; as an Ambitious Man, whose Want of Right to reign, Ignorance, Poverty, and Qualities Far viler, render him mean, justly the Hatred, Scorn, Derision, Sport of ev'ry Man, when drunken with Ambition, he aims At Crown and Sceptre, claiming Government. More yet unlike a King, when, leading to Thy Throne, thou faint'st with Loss of Blood, beneath

The Burden of a curfed Tree: The King Of Heaven faints! and, as a Mortal, finks When overburden'd, feebly to the Ground!

High in the Kingdom of thy Cross, enthron'd Upon the Top of groaning Calvary, The Annals of Eternity record The great, uncommon Day, when Judgment was From Thee remov'd, and Humiliation Deeply graven on thy bleeding Brow. Thy Face fo marr'd, unknown to Men or Angels Then, none durst declare thy Generation, Or once conceive or think of thy Godhead And Eternity: Thy Friends belov'd, and Loving thee, were not excepted, fince they Were stagger'd at thy shameful Death; reasoning, A Man, a mortal Man, with Wounds and Blood, And Sweat, and Bruises, Shame and Spittle, in Cruel Ignominy cover'd. But thy Great Father, none thy Godhead knew in this Thy Depth of Mifery; and fuch, to whom He

He did, and will, in Love reveal thee: As Then unto a Thief, in Jaws of Death, and Others fince, and at length to me, a poor Unworthy Worm. With inward Joy, and with A deeply broken Heart once stung by Sin, The fiery Serpent, I look, and clearly View thee made a shameful Curse, naked in Blood, between the Heavens and the Earth, as Fit for neither: Angels with Wonder gaze, Pry deep, and, as with great Impatience Wait the End and Event of this profound, Inexplicable, deep and bloody Hour. Not so the Sons of Darkness, and of Earth; From whom all Compassion was withdrawn, and Pity fled away: Each Head in Mock'ry Wags; each Tongue reviles and taunts, whilft not a

Publick Tear is dropt for him, nor dare one Say he's innocent. Mean-while he fighs, and Weeps, and groans, and bleeds from ev'ry Wound,

and

Cries with bitter Cry, My God! my God! Whilst Thrilling Horror searches ev'ry Thought and Deep Recess, with each Reslection of his Burden'd Soul. Thro' ev'ry gaping Wound, and Bruised Part, Mortality creeps in: The Pangs of Death come on, his Heart-strings break.

Cries again, 'Tis finish'd: Glorious Sound; then Voluntary bows his Head and dies. Now Universal Nature fighs! Convuls'd, it

Groans

Groans in dreadful Pangs, threat'ning Rebel Man With Dissolution and a general Wreck.

Creation mourns! The Sun in Darkness cloath'd, Makes general Proclamation that Light, first Of the Creatures, refusing now to fill Its Orb, had taken Flight, mysterious and Supernatural! back to its Fountain, Where it was gather'd, ere the Sun was made, Or 'yet' the Moon, or Stars; as dreading to Expose in Blood, and shameful Form, Him Who its Fountain and Supply eternal Was. Rends, of its own Accord, the Temple Vail, fo long a Type of Incarnation, Surrounding in Concealment, Mysteries Sacred, hidden Glories from ev'ry Eye: Entrance deny'd to all, but the High Priest Excepted, ordain'd to offer Sacrifice, And he with Blood to enter: But now the Price is paid; it points to all the living Way, open to deepest Holiness, and Bids with Boldness to approach to God through His own mangled Flesh. Trembles the Earth, and Quakes as tho' Annihilation, Loss of Form and Matter was at Hand; and the old Reign of Chaos would again commence: Such Was its Fright at the Creator's Death; whilst Drinking up his Blood, strong Physick, working Infinite, mov'd and convuls'd its Bowels: It staggers, reels, and, with uncommon Pain, Casts forth the Curse once swallow'd: Thus purg'd, it

Now

Now becomes new Earth to all the royal Seed: prefenting them with a new State of Things. With horrid Cracks and Crashings bursts the

Rocks; whether the Marble, Adamant, or Flint, when smitten was the Rock of Ages On which Jehovah stood: Thus broken by His Pain, howe'er impenetrable, strong, Bassles the Labour, Strength, and Skill of Man. Just so the stony Heart, that Adamant, Bassling the Labour, Skill, Desire of Man, Resusing to receive the least Impress Of Good, by any Means he can devise, Or Implements prepar'd by him; But breaks, Dissolves, becomes a springing Well, where e'er His bloody Death in Spirit's Power comes.

All hail, thou wounded, pale, bleeding, bruis'd and

Breathless Corps: In thee the Sign of the Son Of Man appears, where Blood and Water flow'd From thy pierc'd Heart! Was ever Love like thine? Tho' once asham'd to own, I now believe, And now confess with all my Heart; whilst not A Doubt remains, thou art my Lord, my God, The Father of Eternity: To Thee I bow, and Thee I worship, only Thee, Since all the Fulness of the Godhead dwells Bodily in Thee. O Love, Delight, and Joy unfathom'd! now I'm convinc'd, I taste, I feel that God is Love. Thy Birth, thy Griefs, Thy Poverty, thy Scandal, Scorn, Contempt, Accursed Death, and shameful bloody Toil,

E Arising

Arifing to my View, proclaims the God Of Love; with Power irrefistible, Conquer'd my Heart, seiz'd all my Soul With Wonder, Peace, triumphant Love, more than What Angels know I feel. The mighty Work Is done, I'm lov'd, and Sin's forgiven: Quite Blotted out, destroy'd and drown'd, for-ever Drown'd, in the devouring Ocean of my Saviour's Blood. Nor want I other Proof, or Evidence of Love, the unchanging Love Of God to me, but what's on Calv'ry's Mount Exhibited; where open to my View, in Likeness of a hated Mortal, sinful, Dying Man, hangs Alpha and Omega; He Whose Name and Nature only, comprehends Eternity. Each pearly Tear, each Drop Of Sweat, and falling Clod of Blood, pregnant With Godhead's Fulness, I behold: Whilst each Tormenting Pain, deep Sigh, Heart Groan, loud Call.

And bitter Cry, preaches Divinity
In Blood to me: And bursts the Fountain of
The mighty Deep, where the eternal Springs
And boundless Ocean; the Love of God to
Man lay secreted, conceal'd, and in great
Measure hid from Man, tho' thus belov'd, till
Now: When second Deluge slows, not such as
At the first, that Water only, this Blood
And Water both a richer Flood compos'd.
That Evidence of Wrath, this of the Love
Of God unto a sinful World, that of
Destruction, this Life eternal to all

On whom it flows; caught in this Deluge, I Am not destroy'd, but feel the Springs of Life; And tho' a Sinner, most unworthy of All the Sons that fell, I feel this Flood's my Element, I'm blest, I'm happy, whilst here I nothing want, I drink, I plunge, I wash, And swim with Pleasure infinite, and Joys Unknown, home to the facred Harbour which Jesus has prepar'd: And where my Soul with Spirits, now in perfect Rest, would triumph.

From all thy humbled Steps, incarnate Love, I learn true Contentment: And that in State Of every Kind, whilst passing this dreary Wilderness. When funk in deepest Wants and Poverty, in Mind, or in Estate, I Track thee there; beyond me still. When hated, Friendless, and despis'd, thy Footsteps still I See. When flander'd and reproach'd, I find thou Hast been there, thy Marks are left behind. When Weary, hungry, thinfty, fick, afflicted, Griev'd, I've still sufficient Proof thou hast been Try'd with all. When tempted there I fee thee In every Point like me. When I converse With Death, and truly weigh each Circumstance, Gloomy and dreadful to a carnal Mind, I fee thee there, in all its deepest Pangs. Lest a reluctant Thought should grudge the Sight, Ghaftly, I view thee there, in Grave-cloaths, pale And lifeless, stretch'd in the Sepulchre. Hail! Fountain of all Bleffedness, with thee, I Welcome every State, fweet Poverty, no

More

More a Bugbear to affright my Heart, fince God, my God, has poorer been than I: And Has hereby, unto the Bottom, fapp'd that State, yea ev'ry State, of all the Curfe that Was therein, for me, and other Sinners Lost, when they shall feel him theirs. Hail glorious

Slander, Lack of Friends, and Scorn, Contempt, and

Hatred, Envy, Hunger, Thirst, and Sickness, With every Change and Chance of mortal Life; And lastly Death; no more you me affright, Since He, who waded through the Depth of all, And still bears me Company through all, that Man, so deep experienc'd, is over all Blessed for-ever; God, my God: Nor shall I ever suffer Loss, for God is Love.

Dear wounded Body, where my Name, as in A holy Register, is kept secure; Where the true Leaven of my Nature is, That dear Body, leavens the whole Lump; which Makes me Temple Shewbread, holy before The Lord. 'Tis there his Heaven is fully Reconcil'd to my benighted Earth, fix'd There, the Sun of Righteousness shines in its High Meridian, in all its glorious, Deep, divine, illustrious Rays, in the Apparent Horizon of his dear Mangled Body: 'Tis here the brighter lov'd, And long'd for Day-spring from on high, makes us The friendly Visit. Deep Counsels, awful Thoughts,

Thoughts, Wisdom profound, when the amazing Plan was laid, where I am rais'd, espous'd, and Now become one Flesh with God the Word. No More Hostility, nor Sounds of War, nor Strive I longer my vast Debts to pay, or Prison Doors to burst. Consent I now, with Full Content, his Blood shall pay my Debt, and He shall fave the Sinner me. Conquer'd, and . Delug'd, drown'd in Love, I faint, I yield, I Bow, become the bleft and happy Spoil of His tormenting Smart. Thus having gain'd the Bloody Field, and trod the Wine-Press, painful, All alone; he puts his Victories on: I Am the Trophy of his Might, the Robe fo Stain'd in Blood, the Cloathing of the eternal Word, fubstantially array'd in Flesh and Blood, and Bone: In Love he put me on a Royal Vesture, the adorning of the Princely Lamb, uncloath'd he will be never: Once dead, and hanging naked in his Blood, Eternally fuffices, and gives him Full Commission to wear the Robe so earn'd, As the Travel of his Soul. I feel my Membership in his illustrious Body, Even of the holy Flesh, and Blood, and Bone, In him conceal'd, 'till from the bleeding Side Of that dear fecond Adam, when fleeping, Was the lovely Zion taken, true Woman, Blest Ferusalem, that's from above, the Mother of us all. Deep, fearchless Union, Between Almightiness and Man, Womb of The Morning, of eternal Day, there the Offspring

Offspring of Light begotten were, born not Of Blood, paternal, nor of the Will of Flesh, Nor Man, but of the Will and Love of God.

From this divine Conjunction of the blest And facred Twain, the one new Man doth fpring: Of whom I am. Great Salem, with our high And holy Temple's there, the general Rendezvous of all the blood-bought Throng, The dear and flaughter'd Body of the Prince Of Life: This Temple always open stands, Where ev'ry Comer may Admittance find, To touch the Sceptre, and bask in Smiles of God. Hail favourite Seed, how often meet We there, amaz'd! we gaze, and walk, and talk, And jointly witness we, how high, how deep, Our Converse then: To this Society, Our grand fublimer Conversation, Wife Angels listen, Saints releas'd, are all Attention: Whilst from the Lips, and Spirits, Breath of us poor creeping Worms, the Wisdom Manifold they learn of our great Lamb, and God: We praise his Name with Voice united. There's the smooth Ocean of my Peace, Calm, and Serene, whilst not a blust'ring Wind, nor yet A curling Wave, rifing, disturbs the wide And pleasing Surface. Here's my delightful Element, this Ocean Peace is mine, year All the Fulness of that Peace, which always Does fubfist between my Nature, and his Own Divinity: Thus making one of Both, is he become my Peace; in him is All

All my Life, my Strength, my Joy, my Pleasure, And my Purity, effentially in That dear Man; who, taken into God, the Judge of all, preserves me, Soul and Body, In his own dear Blood and Flesh, unto Life Eternal. His Body salts my Nature, Preserves me without Stench, and always gives Each mystic Member, a delightful, sweet, Endearing Flavour, in the divine, deep Scented Nostrils of the eternal Mind.





BOOK III.

Of the Refurrection of Christ, and of the Believer's Exaltation with him, and of his Life, Safety, and Rejoicing in him.

AIL, rifen Saviour, Conqueror divine, Of Death, the Grave, and Hell, and him that had

The Pow'r of Death, Satan, Prince of Darkness. Thy Refurrection, full Acquittance; Proof Indisputable, of thy Discharge: In Spirit's Power, and strictest Rules, of thine Own Justice justified: From all thy Bride's Infirmity, her Guilt and Shame upon Thee charg'd: Thro' Satisfaction render'd, and Righteousness brought in. My Debt was thine, and Thy just Discharge is mine, thy Conquests mine, Thy Righteousness and Purity, in which Eternally thou'rt perfect, my Perfection. Member of Flesh and Bone, of the Body Of my Lord, I feel I am: Therefore, in Him, and with him, evermore accepted. As He, am I receiv'd in Glory, the Kingdom of the Father, where Truth and Love, Unerring Justice, spotless Purity, Eternal reigns. Welcom'd by all am I,

Nor

Nor can the strictest Scrutiny discern, In me, as found in Him, one Wrinkle-Spot, Defilement, nor the least Impersection.

Hail, everlafting Love, quick'ned and rais'd With Thee, now enter'd into Rest. Thy Work Is done, mine is for ever finish'd: Since I, With Thee, at God's right Hand, and on the Throne, Am now fat down for-ever with thee to Behold thy Glory. With thee in Triumph Crown'd. In thee, omnipotent, greatly more Than Conqueror o'er every spiteful Foe: Their envious Rage I scorn, nor can I fear; Affur'd in Joy triumphant, thy steadfast, Friendly Hand the Sceptre fways, all Pow'r to Thee is given, as the Reward of all Thy bloody Toil and unknown Sorrow; but More to exercise it on Behalf of Man: Heaven's Fav'rite, deeply lov'd, that he In his Approach to God, might not at Fire Confuming, in absolute Perfection, Be affrighted; fuch as in Majesty, Most dreadful and tremendous did appear, When Moses, Man of God, faithful in all His House, was not exempt from Dread, but most Exceedingly did fear and quake. Israel's Rebellious Armies felt their Strength exhaust, The Girdle of their Manhood loofe, and awful Fear and Trembling feize each Pow'r of Body, And of Mind: With all the Potency of Pray'r, most humbly they entreat, that They no more might hear the Words, so hard to Be

Be endur'd; lest the first Repetition Unman them, marr their Reason, and the next Annihilate their Form, and their Being. I hear those Sounds no more, no more shall they Affright my Heart, nor shall the Spirit of Fear, gend'ring to Bondage, reign over me Again: Since I, on Zion's Mount, can hear The Voice of Blood, behold the wounded Form, and worship him in Spirit's Light and Pow'r, in Fashion as a Man: As such, he Now reveals himself to Man, to me; where, As a Husband, Brother, Friend, (facred these Characters, and not by him difdain'd) he Deals with me, in all the Fulness of his Pity, Love and Tenderness. He weeps with me, With me he fighs, whilst his dear friendly Heart Beats Throb for Throb with mine. With infinite Delight he loves, rejoicing over me With Singing: My Heart the Joy before him Set, when he the Shame despised, and Curse and Cross endur'd. This Man so near related, So tender, pitiful and kind to me, Is God; whose Name and Nature's Love in all His Ways with me. Thus wanting neither Will, Nor Pow'r to make and keep me blest, I shall Not be unhappy; God is only Love.

Hail, thou dear, exalted, highly, glorious Man: In thee, now rais'd, infinitely and Inconceivably beyond what in my First Creation I was made: Then lower Than the lowest of all the Angel-hosts

And Orders, but now above them; fince be, Who pass'd angelic Nature by, disdain'd Not Abraham's Seed, but took me on him; was Born in me an Infant, and in me liv'd, And died, and rose again, and wears me to Eternity: Whilst Proclamation then Was made thro' all Eternities and Space, That Angel-tribes, of Orders infinite and Various, howe'er distinguish'd, should worship The first-begotten Son. Hail Prince of Life, Because thou liv'st, I live, dear Man, with thee: With thee my Life is hid in God. My Lord, Thy Life is my Security and Pledge Of endless Bliss: Thy Life my Anchor-hold, That's now within the Veil, where steadfast Faith, And Hope endures ev'ry Storm, nor can the Hurricanes of Hell, Earth, or an evil Heart, blast thy Designs, make Shipwreck of my Faith, or drown me in Despair. He lives, his Conquests, Triumphs, Acceptance, Righteousness, Perpetual Purity, unchanging Peace And Joy, is mine, in all its Fulness. Thou Liv'st for me, I live in Thee: Joint Heir, thou Giv'st me equal Claim with Thee, to all the Bleffings of thy Griefs, thy bloody Toil, and Shameful Death, thy now triumphant Life, That perfect Rest, where Thou art enter'd: In Thee I am complete. Vain Man denies the Safety of thy Bride, makes void thy Word, and Oath, disputes thy Life, and reasons thee to Hell with Arguments: Their Wit suggests, in Prudence, this the safest Way to guard the Man

Man possessing Christ, against licentious
Thoughts, and Words, and Works. To stop
one Current,

They oppose another, and fain would Sin Destroy, by Sin more damning: Far viler In the Sight of God, tho' not so deem'd by Man, even Unbelief and Persidy.

Thy Name, Immanuel, points my Safety out; God with me, and I with thee, united In thy Humanity. Whilst thou art God And Man, and yet one Christ, I shall be safe. The Union of thy Natures, in one, and Only one unchanging Name and Person, Eternally preserves me: That Union Is my Life: If that cannot dissolve, then Am I fafe: For that's the Ground of all my Faith and Hope, and that shall last when Sun and Moon shall fail, e'en as the Days of Heaven, And Date of God himself shall this remain. Now I behold my whole Humanity Is fav'd, my Spirit's now in Blifs, my Flesh Shall rest in Hope, for ev'ry Atom's fav'd, Purchas'd, to God united in the Flesh Of Jesus: By which Means it shall rise at The Refurrection of the Just, a pure And glorious Body, free from all Pain, and Each Infirmity. Hail present Fountain Of my Joy, and certain Evidence of Future Blifs, I bow the Knee to Thee, and Honour evermore thy great, thy facred Name. Immortal Bleffings and Renown, my Dearest

Dearest Lord, await thee! may all my Soul Be Love, and all my Pow'rs conspire to thank Thee, O my God: Whilst thou wilt not refuse To hear my Voice, nor to accept my just, Tho' artless Praise. Now I, dear Man, am thine, Soul, Body, Spirit, all is thine, in thee Redeem'd, in thee preferv'd, and call'd. Now, by My Heart's Confent, I am thine, no more Afraid, neither asham'd, to own I am Thy Spouse, and thou my dearest Bridegroom. Contented with thee, with thee am fully Satisfied, no Sounds of War, nor golden Bait, nor Praise of Man, nor Rumour, shall fright, Nor tempt me thence. Fix'd in this Point, I feel My Heart, to pour Contempt on all but my Fesus crucified: For this, let Hatred, Scandal, and Rage of Men pursue me, I'll Calmly smile, and honestly protest, if In my Flesh, Angelic Purity I Had, I'd facrifice it to his Blood, nor Would I know my Soul: Nor is my Heart In this deceiv'd, witness the God of Truth, Of Peace, of Love, and Heaven within. Bridegroom, lovely Bridegroom, thou art and shall Be all my Theme, my Song, and my Delight.

My leaping Heart rejoices, exulting
In thy Name, perfuaded, when thou dost in
Fullest Glory come, to own thy Bride, and
Consummate her Joys, I shall be with thee,
And then be as thou art. With thee, my God
And Lamb, thro' all Eternities I'll soar,

In Heights and Depths of Fountain-love: And glow In Father, Word, and Spirit, one God, one Saviour, unchangeable, eternal and Supreme. 'Till then, dear Bridegroom, keep me near

Thy Heart, immerg'd in Love's eternal Sea. Help me to keep high Holiday with thee; Now enter'd into Rest. Let the Day of Thy Espousals, in full Meridian, for Ever shine on me; let this the lovely Day of the Gladness of my Heart, which thy Dear Blood hath purchased, eternal be.

O Wisdom, Love, and Power infinite! Display'd in Mercy's Beams to me; where all Thy Attributes, my God, in the sweetest Harmony, and full Perfection, join to Bless my Mind with Peace, and endless Life, and To pronounce me fair, without a Spot. What Wisdom, but thine own, could draw the wond'rous Plan, or form this well-concerted Scheme? What Love but thine, could stoop to save a Worm, an Enemy, by taking Likeness of what Thy Soul abhorr'd, and shedding Blood to Death For fuch, who were in Heart and Practice, most Opposite to thee! What Pow'r but thine, my Lord, my God, could from the Mighty take the Prey, and ranfom lawful Captives: Dying Conquer Death and Hell, and fet the Prisoners Free! O Depth amazing! Space infinite! Fountain of Wisdom! all thine own: Drowning Each finite Thought in the wide Ocean of EterAnd Counsellor, of all thy Purposes And Counsellor, of all thy Purposes And deep Designs. Thy Love, the great and plain Expositor of thy eternal Mind.

That suff'ring Love, on Calvary's Hill, in Blood, and Sweat, and dying Pangs, unfolding Dark Decrees, and hidden Mysteries; how Thou hast lov'd with everlasting Love this Soul of mine, in all the Fulness of that Love, wherewith thou lov'st that Man, who is thy Fellow. O! boundless Grace, was ever Love Like Thine? Awake my Soul, with all thy Pow'rs, To confecrate the Name, and sing the Praise, The endless Praise, of thy great God of Love.

Clear up my Understanding, ope thine Eyes, Piercing thro' every Shade, each Gloom dispel, and

Gather thy most beautiful Ideas, thy Scatter'd Thoughts collect, and fix them steadsast On that Man, who dy'd on Calv'ry's Hill:

To know him crucified: And thus prepare The Way to Praise, and Glory in his Name.

Consent my Will, more perfectly, each Day And Hour, to bow the Knee, become his Spoil, And sing his Blood: Drowning each base Desire There, and be no longer mine, but his. Thou Throne of God, my Conscience, wash'd, and made pure,

Seat of the holy Lamb, Tribunal of His Justice, Purity, and Love, to me All Love, fince I have nothing merited, But Hell: But in the Rules of strictest Truth,
And Justice thine, since the Atonement's there:
Which purges it from ev'ry Thought, and Work
That's dead, and always teaches Answers, that's
Pleasing to thy Nature: The facred Praise
Maintain. Awake my Passions, with Freeness
My Affections, rouse and burn, with siercer
Flame, and siercer still; tow'ring on strongest
Pinion, to unmeasurable Heights of
Love, desir'd Love, to that dear Man your Lord
And God, in Servant's Form: Mount from the
World,

And break the Creature's Chain, and centre with Eternal Praise, in him, so worthy your Esteem. Let every Sense of mine draw near, And join to praise his Name: My Eyes for you Have feen the Lord, the beauteous King, in all His bloody Garments. Mine Ears, for you have Heard that Sound of Blood, than Abel's Blood far Better, his Cries, Complaints, and Groans, were not Unmark'd by you, nor when in Love he (hung Expiring) preach'd Redemption finish'd: To You most joyful Tidings. My Hands, for you Have handled Incarnation, and felt the Word of Life. My Palate, thou hast tasted Heavenly Manna, Bread of Life thy Food Perpetually, I charge thee relish nought Besides, that Flesh and Blood, given to me, Spiritual Sustenance. My Nostrils, you Have fmelt the steaming Sacrifice, reeking In Blood, upon the Altar of the Cross.

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Together all conspire, to praise the Lamb, And evermore adore my Lord, my God.

My Soul with inward Heaven and Wonder Fill'd, my Body quickned, animated, By the Power of Love; my thrilling Blood Soft circulating, through Love's Impress: My Bone, not unaffected with the powerful Force: All the whole Man redeem'd, I fummon All to praise his Name: Glory, Honour, Might, Majesty, Power, and Dominion, be, O my God, my Saviour, evermore to Thee ascrib'd. Zion favour'd Bride, yet in the Kingdom of the Cross, and Militant on Earth, affift my feeble Praises. Awake You Sons of God, and Men, and praise with me. And you especially, who, once with me, Were faithful to unrighteous Mammon, just And unwearied in our Service, to our Lusts, and to the Prince of Darkness. But now Redeem'd and wash'd, and having much forgiv'n, You cannot chuse but join with me to love, And praise the Saviour much. And you who are Call'd the better Sort of Men, as having Ow'd but fifty Pence, if that's forgiv'n, bear With me: Whilst seemingly I'm mad with Joy, And only talk of Jesus, and his Blood. Think, if you can, that I'm belov'd, and then The little that you feel, will reasonably Excuse my seeming Phrensy, and my Song Of Praise to Christ the slaughter'd Lamb: Howe'er

Diforderly. Nor will you then refuse To bear a Part with me, where orderly, I possibly may touch the pleasing String.

Angels, distinguish'd in your Names, your Heights

Of Glory, and of Power; as you are pleas'd To see the Prodigal return, and shout With mighty Joys, when Sinners fav'd and wash'd In Jefus' Blood, advance with Songs of Praise: Now join with me, fing you his Godhead, and Eternity, I'll fing the same, and more: That he was Man for me. Sing you his Power, Creating Worlds innumerable, I'll Sing the Love that died for this, and me a Worm especially. Sing you his Glory And universal Monarchy; thro' all Eternities, I'll fing the bleeding King, The Victories he has won, and how his Love has conquer'd this my stubborn Heart. Sing You the Favours he has shewn to you, your Natures excellent, your Station bigh, your Service in his Prefence, and how he kept You, when fo many Miriads fell: I'll fing His Love, that pass'd your Nature by, and took My Flesh, and Blood, and wears it on the Throne: In which I am exalted, rais'd, a Son, A King, and Confort of my Maker, for Ever in his Presence, on his Heart, his Glory, and his Diadem. The Love that Finish'd my Transgressions, made me pure, and Evermore preserves me, without Spot, or Stain,

Stain, his Joy and his Rejoicing. O! was
Ever Love like this? Triumphant Zion,
Join with me. Once Sons of Tribulation,
Sav'd by the worthy Lamb, your Robes now
wash'd,

And in his Blood made white, the Force of Love Distinguishing, forgiving, perpetual, And unchangeable, you know; with ever New Delight, I hear you fing, Worthy the Lamb, once slain, who by his Blood redeem'd us Unto God. Since this is all your Theme, with You, my ev'ry Pow'r shall join, and sing: For ever worthy is the Lamb, worthy the Lamb, Worthy the holy slaughter'd Lamb: To live And reign over ev'ry World and Creature, Let all the Church of God, above, below, And all Things else that breathe, with me, conspire To lift his facred Praise, 'till Time shall die, And an eternal State commence. Wonder-Smitten, I fink, I bow, beneath the Weight Of everlasting Love, thy Love, my God!

Great the Salvation, O! my God, which Thou Hast wrought: For Man, for me rebellious Worm. Beyond Example, great thy Love, which first Inspir'd, and seal'd Instruction on my Mind; And led from Shades of Night, to brighter Day This Soul of mine: Where first it learn'd, that free And full Redemption, thy dear Blood contains, Remitting each Offence. Divinely taught, For Shelter, to thy Wounds with Willingness I fled; as Doves pursu'd, fly speedily from Vultures

Vultures Claws, to gaping clefts of broken
Rocks their fafe Retreat. The great Salvation
I accepted, the better Part I chose,
Thro' Love, Almighty Love's Impulse; nor else
Had I been sav'd, but lost in Unbelief
And Ignorance; had funk to endless Depths
Of Ruin, and Perdition: Neglecting
All thy Love to know, or feel its Power.
Here as my chiefest Good, I love, with Love
Unspeakable, my God incarnate: Who
Loved me first. I love him so, that Loss of
Friends, and Health, and Strength, to me not
grievous.

Nor breaks my Peace. Nor henceforth will I know With Confidence, no Friend, but what I know In him; as fellow Member of his Flesh, And Bone, where Friendship, founded in Unity Of that dear Body, knows no Change: Where but One Life, one Name, and Character's posses'd By all: Each Member equally imprest With the other's Grief, or Joy. Whilst Him I Know, I want not Friends; when most forfaken Most embrac'd; in deepest Sickness purest Health; and strongest when with Weakness cloath'd. I love Thee so, that Scorn, Contempt and Shame, For thee with me are Trifles: They gall me Not, nor would I fly the Cross, nor from my Forehead wipe the Scandal of thy Bloody Death, when charged on me as Foolishness Or Blasphemy. I hug the thorny Crown, Of wearing it ambitious, the highest Honour, I would, whilst here, aspire unto.

I love thee fo, that none of all thy Works I hate, an Enemy to none am I, All Men I learn to love, but none I fear. Nor can Revenge or Malice lodge within My breast, Forgiveness as thou hast forgiven Me, I feel to all who injure me, and Prove themselves my Foes: Bowing the Knee for Them I pray, and love them with all Love, that Fulness excepted, where I feel the dear United Body of the Lamb my God. I love thee so, that Sin, and only Sin's My Hell, yea worse than Hell. To make me sad, And miserable, thou only needest Draw thine Arm back and let me fall a Prey To what within me lurks, as ever there And ready, as a bold Usurper to Mount thy Throne, impose new Laws, and govern With Arbitrary Rule, and with a Rod Of Iron. This, this is Hell to me, and Only this: For this, I look to thee whom I have pierc'd, with broken Heart, and as with Tears of Blood, I wash thy wounded Feet, griev'd That I grieve thy Heart, by Sin repeated: Wounding my Soul afresh with sharpest Pain.

I love Thee fo, that never hunted Hart, Did pant for Water Brooks, nor thirsty Land, For the descending Showers, nor shipwreck'd Man, when, from the Eminence of a Wave, he Spies the folid Land, to reach the fame: Nor Weary Traveller, from whom the Light is Fled, in defart Land where roams the Savage

Beaft,

Beast, for the revolving Day: As thirsts my Soul for Thee my God, I hunger, pant and With Desire I pine, to wear thine Image: The Meekness, Love and Pity, of the Man of Nazareth Charms my Heart, and makes me long As never Lover did, to bear thy Mind, Thy Likeness, O! my Lord, and to possess Thee, in all the Fulness of thy Spirit, And ev'ry beauteous Temper deep, Divine.

I love thee fo, that Death no more affrights my Waiting Soul, I kifs the Dart, once dreaded, By which Mortality creeps in to loofe The Knot, which ties me to a Clod of Duft. Crowding on every Senfe, repeated Messengers are fent, to lecture on the Certainty of Death, to me each Day and Hour, I welcome them thou knowest as one To whom no Tidings are more grateful, nor Can there be a Theme more pleasing, Study Or Meditation more delightful than That, I shall put off my Clay to meet my Lord, to fee the beauteous King, and read his Battles, Valour, Conquest, and his Love to Me, in all the Wounds and Scars, he wears as Now before and on the Throne; legible Characters, deeply engraven in his Sacred Flesh, the Book of Life, which keeps my Name fecure. To die is Gain: Not that I Dare not live, fince Jesus lives, contented I wou'd be to live for Him, and be the Common Mark of Envy and Disdain. But

But O! I long to fee my Lord, my God, Dear Man, celestial, where Beauty, untold Beauty, in Perfection shines: That Face once Marr'd, and more than any Man's, I long to Gaze upon without a Glass. Those Hands, those Feet, and facred Side fo pierc'd, I clearer Still would view; and there would learn, in deeper Lesson yet, the Love of God to Man, to Me unworthy Worm. Fain would I flee my Evil Heart, my Nature finful; and from The Bait alluring to the Flesh: Escape The Son of Wickedness, and all his Rage And Power, and rest, me in the Mansion My Fesus has prepar'd: My weary Soul Shall there for-ever rest, and Wickedness Shall cease from burdening, or troubling me.

I love Thee fo, as not to dread the Day When thou with Wrath and Judgment cloath'd, shalt make

Thy grand Appearance, on the Clouds, to judge The Worlds of Angels, and of Man. Although Ten Thousand Terrors then shall fly before Thy Face, to wound with Horror, and (with yet Unknown) Despair, all thy Foes: Who would not Own thy Government; but mock'd thy Blood, and Thy despised Reign. Tho' Sun, and Moon, and Stars, shall fail; tho' Heaven and Earth shall pass Away; tho' Blood, and Fire, and smoaky Pillars shall appear, trembling the Hearts of Men, and mourning all the different Tribes of Earth,

Earth; tho' Bond and Free, and High and Low, shall

Cry aloud to Rocks and Mountains for to Hide them from thy Wrath; greatly incenfed On that dreadful Day: Yet fear I not, but Loving thee my Lord, I pray thee quickly Come, the awful Prospect of that Day is Pleasing to my Soul, make Haste my God, my King: And call thy Bride, to see thy Foes cast Down beneath thy Feet, and there constrain'd to Own thy Godhead, and thy powerful Hand. Thy Love to me supports my Considence: Made Thee, at first, my Joy, my sole Delight; Gladden'd my Heart, my Tongue, and bid me sing The following Songs of Praise to thee, my Lord.



HYMNS,



H Y M N S, &c.

HYMN I.

All Things are delivered unto me, of my Father; and no Man knoweth the Son, but the Father; neither knoweth any Man the Father, save the Son, &c. Matt. xi. 27.

- A LL Things deliver'd are
 To Jejus, as the Son;
 Whilst we, in all Things, with him share,
 With him for-ever One.
- We were the Father's Love;
 Us to his Son he gave;
 Where we his Life and Fulness prove,
 And in him Glory have.
- In Christ, the Man divine;
 And we in him, before his Face,
 In perfect Beauty shine.

- Or witness who he is,

 But he who's with the Father one,

 His Love and Rightcousness!
- Where we the Father see;
 As one with him, we now can tell
 The Son's the Man that's free.
- 6 From Precept and Demand,
 Free from all Sin and Fear,
 Our Sonship shall in Jesus stand,
 Without our Toil or Care.
- 7 None but the Son, so blest,
 Can God as Father own;
 Until we are the Son confest,
 The Father is unknown.
- 8 O the amazing Grace
 We have in Jesus seen!
 The Glory of the Father's Face,
 Without a Veil between.
- 9 Now, perfected in God,
 His richest Grace we prove,
 The Way to which is Jesu's Blood,
 The Proof supreme of Love.

II.

For it pleased, that in him should all Fulness dwell, Col. i. 19.

- To look beside him, Loss:

 He's only holy, just and true;

 All else is Dung and Dross.
- 2 There dwells in him, as stain'd with Blood, fehovah's Pow'r and Name; Greatly, from everlasting, God, Yea, when the slaughter'd Lamb.
- 3 In him we know the holy Bride
 All gather'd into one;
 She looks out through his bleeding Side,
 With all her Beauties on.
- In him we see God's Heav'n, our Earth,
 In perfect Peace agree:
 This gives our one new Man its Birth,
 And sets our Nature free.
- And in it now we prove

 A Seat above the heav'nly Pow'rs,

 Fix'd in the Father's Love.

- 6 New Heav'ns, new Earth, we now posses;

 Beulah, that blessed Field,

 Where dwells eternal Righteousness;

 And God's our Sun and Shield.
- 7 Here's nothing hurtful to destroy; The holy Mountain's here; No Curse, nor Sin, us to annoy, No Torment, Guilt, or Fear.
- 8 Of Jesus we will never cease

 To sing as we began;
 In whom there dwells, in persect Peace,
 God, and his darling Man.

III.

Speak unto the Children of Israel, that they go forward, Exod. xiv. 15.

- ANAAN promis'd is before;
 Come let us forward go,
 Not the Ocean, nor its Roar,
 Nor the Egyptian Foe,
 May obstruct, when God commands;
 His Pow'r on our Behalf he shows:
 Move we forward to the Land,
 Where Milk and Honey slows.
- 2. Pharaoh's Hosts, our Flesh and Sense, Press hard upon our Rear;

Vainly strive to cause Offence,
Or make the Spirit sear:
God protects us in his Hand,
Whilst Vengeance on his Foes he throws:
Move we forward, &c.

- Roaring Floods clap Hands aloud,

 To drive us back again;
 Seas of Trials vastly crowd

 T' affright the Sons of Men:

 Jesus bids us quiet stand,

 Whilst he his great Salvation shows:

 Move we forward, &c.
- And stand upon an Heap;

 Mighty Waters, by his Grace,

 Shrink from the fearful Deep:

 On we march at his Command,

 Nor dread the Power of our Foes:

 Move we forward, &c.
- Strikes the Egyptian dead;
 Floods, which give us Passage thro'.
 Return upon their Head:
 Dead we see them on the Strand,
 Nor can they farther us pursue;
 We are in Immanuel's Land,
 Where Milk and Honey flow.

IV.

In his Humiliation his Judgment was taken away, Acts viii. 33.

- DEAR Lamb! thy humbled State we fing, Thy Name, thy Wounds and Blood we We own thee, Infant God, our King, (praise; And to thy Throne our Hearts we raise.
- 2 Dear holy Child, we fing the Birth
 Of him conceiv'd in Holiness;
 Where God our Maker took our Earth,
 Our Curse and all our Helplessness.
- 3 Thy first Blood-shedding hath us seal'd, In Peace and Covenant with God, From sleshly Filth and Shame, now heal'd By holy Circumcision-Blood.
- 4 Thou God of Love, yet growing Youth, Subject to Creature-Parents Thou; Thy humble Steps, eternal Truth, Make us admire, and, wond'ring, bow.
- Foor Man, despised Nazarene,
 With sweating Brow thou earn'dst thy Bread;
 Great God! thy Glories were unseen,
 And from the Eyes of Mortals hid.

- 6 Humbled in Poverty and Pain, Temptation fore, Contempt and Scorn, That Curse of ours for to sustain, Was the eternal Father born.
- 7 Empty'd of all, but tort'ring Smart;
 His Honour and his Judgment lost:
 Deep, unknown Sorrows fill'd his Heart,
 His Soul with fierce Temptations tost.
- 8 By this, the everlasting Grace,
 And Nature-Love of God appears;
 By this we see the Father's Face,
 Where lost are all our Sins and Fears.

V.

Israel shall be saved in the Lord with an everlasting Salvation, Isaiah xlv. 17.

REATLY belov'd,
Of God approv'd;
Ere Time began,
Jehovah's darling Man
Poffefs'd his Nature, Love,
Above;
There Man is known,
Whilft Angels own,
Above them far,
This bright and Morning-Star.

- with Wonder fill'd,

 The glorious Grace
 Sparkle in Jesu's Face;

 We, Worms, as wholly blind

 In Mind,

 Could not discern

 What did concern

 Our Hearts alone,

 That Orb in which we shone.
- 3 But God would show,
 To us below,
 His Grace and Choice,
 Whilst we in Heart rejoice;
 And this reveal'd by Blood,
 When God
 Became a Man;
 And then began
 In Love to cure
 Our Nature, blind, impure.
- It made him sweat,

 Blood-Rivers flow'd,

 He groan'd and cry'd aloud;

 Whilst Sorrows rent his Heart

 With Smart

 Unspeakable:

 The Pains of Hell,

 Infernal Wrath,

 Incompass'd him in Death.

- Mith many Tears,
 And unknown Fears,
 Heart-breaking Sighs,
 Infinite Agonies,
 Wounds, Blood, and Bruises fresh,
 His Flesh
 All over fill;
 In Anguish, still,
 He yields his Breath
 To the accursed Death.
- 6 Fail Nature's Laws;
 The Sun withdraws;
 With dreadful Crack,
 The Rocks afunder break;
 Convuls'd Creation shakes,
 Earth quakes;
 All old Things die,
 Non-entity,
 Pass'd over all
 That liv'd by Adam's Fall.
- 7 Hence came the Hour,
 When God, with Pow'r,
 Rais'd from the Dead
 The Members, and the Head:
 In that one perfect Man,
 The Plan
 Of Grace we fee,
 Where Christ and we
 Were nam'd in one,
 The Father's only Son.

8 His Joy fulfill'd
In ev'ry Child:
We, in that Grace,
Behoid the Father's Face:
In that exalted Man,
We can
For-ever view,
That love, fo true,
Which did us raife
To never-ceasing Praise.

VI.

To make the Captain of their Salvation persect, through Sufferings, Heb. ii. 10.

- 1 II AIL, Jesus, perfect God and Man!
 Sole Author of Salvation's Plan;
 Thou selt'st our Misery:
 Perfect, thro' Suff'rings, thou wast made,
 The Members, perfect as their Head,
 With Joy, Salvation cry.
- Obedient to thy Blood and Death,
 Obedient to th' inspiring Breath,
 Are all our inward Pow'rs:
 Thy Body we, in Thee belov'd,
 Thy Sorrows hath our Joy improv'd,
 Eternal Life is ours.

- 3 Barr'd is the Way to Happiness;
 The Mind kept back from perfect Peace,
 Until the Saviour's known:
 Known as a Man, yet God with us,
 Who bare our Mis'ries on the Cross,
 And made them all his own.
- 4 Hence on the Pinions of thy Love;
 I foar from Earth to dwell above,
 Where thou hast led the Way;
 Whilst Heights of Bliss my Soul surprize,
 Thy wounded Form still bids me rise
 To brighter, brighter Day.
- 5 I welcome ev'ry State with Thee,
 Since thou wilt my Companion be,
 Thro' all this Field of Blood:
 Thy Life preferves my Heav'n fure,
 Thou shalt be now and evermore,
 My Jesus and my God.

VII.

- I was set up from Everlasting, from the Beginning, or ever the Earth was. Then I was by him, as one brought up with him: and I was daily his Delight, rejoicing always before him. Prov. viii. 23. 30.
- AIL! high, exalted, righteous Man, First of the Ways of God!
 Whose Work of Love in thee began,
 As witness'd by thy Blood.

 2 Before

- e Before the Sons of God declar'd
 With Shouts, their folemn Joy;
 Or Songs of Morning Stars were heard,
 As pure without Alloy:
- Thy early Day, proclaim'd Thee then,
 The First-born Child of Grace;
 Great Representative of Men,
 Before the Father's Face.
- In Thee, and Thee alone:
 To Men, and Angels out of Thee,
 The Godhead is unknown.
- Thou his infinite Thought;
 Creation, Providence, and Grace,
 In Thee decreed and wrought.

The same.

VIII.

- O Christ, to Sons of Men; Jehovah spake Thee from his Heart, And Worlds existed then.
- 2 He spake Thee then a Law to all The glorious Hierarchy,

And firm decreed their dreadful Fall, Who would not worship thee.

- 3 By thee he rules the Worlds above,
 And all the Worlds below;
 By thee he doth his Grace and Love,
 His Wrath and Justice, shew.
- 4 Thou, the exalted Throne of Grace,
 The Father's peaceful Seat,
 Where we with Joy behold his Face,
 And worship at his Feet.
- 5 In thee now fav'd, no more we fear
 The Curse of Adam's Fall;
 In thee with Boldness we draw near
 To God, the Judge of All.

IX.

I am the true Vine, and my Father is the Husbandman, John xv. 1.

- The great Salvation shewn,
 The Sum of Love's Decrees unseal'd,
 The Plant of great Renown.
- 2 Rais'd by the Father's Grace,
 The Plant of his right Hand,
 To represent before his Face,
 The Souls from ev'ry Land.

- 3 Plant of the Father's Care,
 On whom his Love did shine;
 The Branches in him hidden were,
 'Till he grew to a Vine.
- The eternal Husbandman,
 To make the Branches pure,
 In Wisdom infinite began
 Our Barrenness to cure.
- 5 He then this Vine would dress, Whilst Love his Hand did urge,
 That ev'ry Branch in Righteousness
 He in one Vine might purge.
- 6 From each fuperfl'ous Shoot,
 The Buds of Man's Offence;
 This to destroy he purg'd the Root,
 And in it ev'ry Branch.
- 7 With Bruises was he drest,
 And nail'd up to a Tree;
 The pruning Hook his Soul opprest,
 That he might fruitful be.
- 8 He was not purg'd in vain,
 But did his Strength recruit;
 And when was finish'd all his Pain,
 There then appear'd his Fruit.

- 9 Distill'd from all his Smart

 The holy Unction ran;

 This is the Wine that chears the Heart,

 The Heart of God and Man.
- As Branches, he the Stem;
 From him our Fruitfulness is found,
 And shall remain in him.
- And ev'ry Hour improve,
 Whilst, in his smoaking Sacrifice,
 God hears our Songs above.

X.

- Those that thou gavest me, I have kept; and none of them are lost, but the Son of Perdition, that the Scripture might be fulfilled. John xvii. 12.
- ESUS, the Father's richest Grace,
 Anointed to behold his Face,
 As all the Church in one;
 The holy promis'd Shiloh, he,
 In whom the Bride should gather'd be,
 As one beloved Son.
- 2 He kept us in the Father's Name, Thro' all this World of Sin and Shame,

So that there's missing none:
Tho' torn his Side, his Hands and Feet,
His Body's still preserv'd compleat,
Without a broken Bone.

- 3 He kept us in the dreadful Hour,
 The Father's Name, his Love, and Pow'r,
 Preserv'd the Souls he gave:
 His future Glory we were giv'n,
 Our Loss, had been his Loss of Heav'n,
 But he was strong to save.
- The Members giv'n unto the Head,
 One Son, one perfect Body made.
 The Darling of our God:
 He gave each Member's Curfe, and Pride,
 To die the Death when Jesus dy'd,
 All to be purg'd with Blood.
- That he might make our Nature clean,
 The Father laid on him our Sin,
 Whilst with Temptations tost,
 Most dreadful Cries were heard, with Blood,
 Whilst in the Storm and Wrath of God,
 Perdition's Son was lost;
- Lost from the Father's piercing Sight,
 Deep buried in eternal Night,
 Now lies the Man of Sin;
 And, lost for-ever from our View,
 When we in Spirit Jesus knew,
 And with him enter in.

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7 Now are the Scriptures all fulfill'd
In Christ, the Virgin's promis'd Child,
Man sav'd, and Sin condemn'd:
Brought Home to see the Father's Face,
Where we inherit all his Grace,
And are by him esteem'd.

XI.

He that descended is the same also that ascended up far above all Heavens, that he might fill all Things, Eph. iv. 10.

- The Father's deep, descending Love
 Reach'd us, the lower Parts of Earth,
 And rais'd us to a heav'nly Birth:
 He who ascends to Glory is the same,
 As humbled to the Earth, from Heaven came.
- 2 Above the highest Heavens far,
 Earth's lower Parts now risen are;
 When God, who put our Nature on,
 Ascended, the triumphant Man,
 Where Thrones, Dominions, Powers, and
 Angels fall
 Before his Face, as filling all in all.
- 3 Pre-eminence to Jesus giv'n,
 To fill all Things in Earth and Heav'n:

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The Difpensation now is come,
When God has gather'd all Things Home;
All Things in Love are gather'd into one,
Where Heav'n and Earth make one beloved
Son.

- 4 Now Jesus fills all Things, we know; All Things above, and all below; That he fills all Things, we are fure, Hence all Things now to us are pure: In Faith's Idea no Vacuum we find, For he fills all, as God's eternal Mind.
- Old Things are lost, and all Things new:
 He fills our Heart, our Eye, our Ear,
 And nought but Jesus doth appear.
 O holy Mystery! here ends our Want,
 Our Griefs, our Sorrows, Troubles, and
 Complaint.

XII.

Can a Woman forget her suckling Child, that she should not have Compassion on the Son of her Womb, Isa. xlix. 15.

The Praises of the God of Love,
Our Husband, Saviour, God and King,
Whose Name and Nature such we prove.

- 2 But Zion, Church and Bride of God, Withdrawing from the joyful Throng, Bewails her State of Widowhood, And vents Complaint instead of Song.
- 3 For Grief, an absent God's her Plea, In deepest Sorrow thus she cries, The Lord he hath forsaken me, Dissolv'd are all the solemn Ties.
- 4 I of my God forgotten am,
 Tho' once belov'd, and nam'd his Bride;
 My Glory's turned into Shame,
 Where from my Mis'ries may I hide?
- 5 Cease Virgin-spouse, why shouldst thou grieve,
 And Causeless mourn in Tears of Blood?
 Thy Joy is full, only believe,
 And hear what says thy Husband, God.
- 6 Can Mothers kind forgetful prove,
 Of Sucklings nourish'd at the Breast,
 Maternal Bowels cease to move
 To Infants when with Pain oppress'd?
- 7 Or can Compassion leave the Heart
 Whilst they their smiling Babes expose
 To Death, without b'ing kill'd with Smart,
 And seel again their Pangs and Throes?

- 8 Those, worse than brutal, may forget,
 Who having Nature's Laws withstood;
 Thro' curs'd Impulse, strange, nameless great,
 Imbrue their Hands in Infant's Blood.
- 9 But I will ne'er forget my Bride, Says Jesus, God of Love and Truth, Taken, when sleeping, from my Side, Then, born to bear, eternal Youth.
- 10 I'll not forget my Word, my Oath,
 I'll not forget my Wounds, my Blood;
 My Friendship makes but one of both,
 And I am still thy Saviour, God.
- My Zion, glorious is thy State!

 I fee thee always without Blame,

 And his own Body none can hate.
- Bounds to thy Dwelling I have fet;
 My Zion's my peculiar Care,
 My Zion I will ne'er forget.
- 13 O happy Zion! fee and prove
 How groundless all thy Sorrows are;
 Live in thy Husband's Nature, Love,
 And that shall cast out all thy Fear.

XIII.

Beloved, now are we Sons of God, &c. John iii. 2.

- Nor doth it yet appear,
 What Heights of Bliss, thro' Jesu's Blood,
 For us prepared are.
- 2 This we already know,
 When Christ, our Righteousness,
 Shall shew himself to Men below,
 We shall be as he is.
- 3 Yea, in this World are we,
 As Jesus is above;
 As him, from Sin and Satan free,
 As perfected in Love.
- To this blind World below;
 There's none but such who Jesus see,
 Can us discern or know.
- Of us, or can be known,

 By Reason's Eye, to Mortals here,

 We utterly disown.

- 6 We call it Dung and Drofs,

 The Man from whom we cease;

 To own it ours, is Pain and Lofs,

 And saps the Christian's Peace.
- 7 Jesus alone we own,
 And nothing know beside;
 In him, as free from Sin, we're known,
 His pure and holy Bride.
- 8 In him we now confess, We are the Lord's Delight, His Rest, his Joy and Righteousness, All glorious in his Sight.
- We are as we would be;
 Nor have we yet to choose;
 As Christ the Son, we're ever free,
 Nor can that Sonship lose.

XIV.

But now is Christ risen from the Dead, &c. 1 Cor. xv. 20.

O W is Jesus, now is Jesus,
Risen from the Dead;
Love, to seize us, Love, to seize us,
In the Lamb, our Head:

Caught us finking under Sin,
Took our Curse and Nature in,
To its Off'ring, that by suff'ring,
It might make us clean.

2 God in Fashion, &c.
Like to fallen Man;
By his Passion, &c.
Finished the Plan;
Which eternal Mercy laid,
Which eternal Love decreed,
That the Bride, thus purished,
Should from all Sin be freed.

Our Creator, God,
Was Partaker, &c.
Of our Flesh and Blood:
He became our Nature's Pride,
And, as all our Sin, he dy'd;
As our old Man, as our old Man,
He was crucify'd.

All our deep Distress;

Then replenish'd, &c.

Man with Righteousness:

In his Body Sin lay dead,

With each Sorrow which it bred,

Accusation, Condemnation,

Spread their Wings and sled.

Passed all away;
That his Power, &c.
He might thus display:
In a new Creation pure,
From all Sin and Spoil secure,
This erected, stands perfected,
On Foundation sure.

Glorious to our View;

Most surprising, &c.

All Things here are new:

As rose Jesus from the Grave,

Such the Purity we have;

Sin is dead, and Care is fled,

The Son's no more a Slave.

XV.

For as many of you as have been baptized into Christ, have put on Christ, Gal. iii. 27.

! How doth God our Souls surprise,
When he our Conscience doth baptize
Into the holy Nature;
Where, free from all Offence and Blame,
We now possess in Christ the Lamb,
The Fulness of his Stature.

Now free
Are we
And shall ever,
In our Saviour,
Stand perfected;
With him to this Grace elected.

2 Free from all Consciousness of Sin, We live where none can enter in; This when in Heart believed; Our Conscience answers towards God, As free from Sin, thro' Jesu's Blood, Nor can we be deceived:

For he
And we,
In one Body,
White and ruddy,
Are compleated:
In the Father's Glory feated.

3 Salvation now in us is wrought;
Nor is there one uneafy Thought,
By which our Peace is spoiled:
Baptiz'd into the Saviour's Name,
Our Conscience answers to the Lamb,
Who ne'er can be defiled.

Now bleft
We rest
From what vexes
And perplexes;
We are fully
In and as is Jesus holy.

XVI.

God is Love, and he that dwelleth in Love, dwelleth in God, and God in him, John iv. 16.

Love! what a Secret to Mortals thou art!
'Tis God's deep Eternity, Nature and
Heart:

The witnessing Dove confirms this high Plan, And likewise his Word and his Dealings with Man;

The Sorrows of Jesus, his Torment and Pain, Has left no Foundation for doubting again.

- 2 O Love! how mysterious and boundless art thou! Thy Date and thy Measure unlimited flow:
 This Jesus reveals with Evidence strong;
 It gladdens my Heart, and inspires my Song
 With Praise to my Saviour, my Lord and my God,
 Whose Love is my Glory, as view'd in his Blood.
- 3 O Love! what a Gath'ring of Souls thou hast made!

All into one Fountain, one Body, one Head; Where they were preferv'd thy own, thro' the Fall,

The Fulness of Jesus, who fills all in all:
Close in her Pavilion, the Darling, the Bride,
Lay hid in her Husband, till born from his
Side.

4 O Love! what a Bridegroom of Honour and Trust!

The Fulness of Heaven hath married my Dust; He humbled himself to cleave to his Wife, In all her Distress and her Sorrows of Life; With her was he number'd amongst the Unclean,

Nor yet could he loathe her, nor Jar come between.

5 O Love! what a Husband thy Care did provide!

Descending from Glory in Search of thy Bride; Her Substance conceiv'd, thy Body was she, Incarnate in her, and she then was in thee; In th' Womb of the Virgin, the Twain was made one,

Whence God, our Creator, was born a poor Man.

XVII.

Unto you therefore which believe he is precious,
1 Pet. ii. 7.

My Jesus! O my Jesus!
Bridegroom of my Heart,
Who espoused, who espoused,
To my Nature Art;

Thou, my Love, hast bore my Blame, Thy dear Wounds and lovely Name, Deep imprest upon my Breast, Shall always be my Flame.

Lover like the Lamb!
No, no, never, &c.

Was fo true a Flame,
As what burns on Jefu's Blood,
As the dying Love of God,
God-like glorious, Love's victorious,
Though by Hell withstood.

There I always fee
Constant Witness, &c.
That thy Love is free:
Empty I, of Goodness void,
Whilst on thee, my Lamb, I'm staid,
Thou art Love, and this I prove,
And shall not be afraid.

Mercy raises, &c.

My lost Nature high;

Love amazes, &c.

Whilst I, wond'ring, cry:

O my Love! how kind thine Heart,

Taking of my Flesh a Part;

In thy Body, once so bloody,

I am as thou art.

XVIII.

And they shall call his Name Emmanuel, which, being interpreted, is, God with us, Matt. i. 23.

- Holy Emman'el! thy Myst'ry divine, From Glory to Glory, on Zion shall shine, The Myst'ry of God espous'd to a Worm, Who neither had Merit, nor beautiful Form; Yet rais'd to the Bosom of God, the Supreme, She sings she is like him, yet does not blaspheme.
- 2 O lovely Emman'el! illustrious thy Grace!
 The Beauties of Holiness shine in thy Face:
 Triumphant in Bliss, our Nature we spy,
 And we, in that Nature, join'd to the most
 High:

The Image express of the Substance of God; His Brightness appearing by Water and Blood.

- 3 O facred Emman'el! our Glory, our Joy; In mut'al Embraces, which never shall cloy, The Bridegroom and Bride, our Maker and we, Perpetually live, as united in thee; Consummate Salvation, reveal'd in thy Blood, In thee we posses, with the Fulness of God.
- 4 O glorious Emman'el! Jehovah with Man!
 With us is God present; (amazing the Plan!)
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Perfection of Joy we now understand, Whilst Rivers of Pleasures flow at his Right Hand:

We stand, when no higher our Notes we can raise,

In Silence, expressive of Wonder and Praise.

XIX.

In my Flesh shall I see God; whom I shall see for myself, Job xix. 26, 27.

- EE, O my Soul, with Wonder fee,
 Array'd in Flesh, thy God,
 Cloath'd with my whole Humanity,
 And deeply drench'd in Blood!
- 2 My Flesh, my Blood, and Bone espous'd;
 (O the amazing Plan!)
 From Nature's Death and Darkness rous'd,
 When God became a Man.
- 3 My Frame, once pure, was marr'd and harm'd,
 Between his Hands quite spoil'd;
 But now a nobler Vessel form'd,
 When God became a Child.
- At Bethl'hem was my purer Birth,
 The Virgin-mother mine,
 His Heav'n married to my Earth,
 In Christ, the Man divine.

- 5 Emmanuel is God with me,
 In our exalted Lamb;
 In whom I'm reconcil'd and free,
 All Praise attend his Name.
- 6 His Sonship proves my Sin forgiv'n, Makes my Salvation sure, Prepares for me a Seat in Heav'n, And keeps my Joy secure.
- 7 In him accepted; and, as him,
 Receiv'd in Realms above;
 In him I triumph, foar, and fwim,
 In everlafting Love.
- 8 All my Religion and my Life,
 Art thou, my Lamb, my God;
 I'm fix'd, from hence my future Strife
 Shall be to praife thy Blood.

XX.

I had fainted, unless I had believed, Pf. xxvii. 13.

I S H E W me the Reason, O my God, Why I afflicted am;
Since thou hast wash'd me in thy Blood,
And cover'd all my Shame.

- 2 Why yet must rebel Nature live
 To fill my Heart with Pain?
 Why yet my Jesus must I grieve?
 Shall Nature ne'er be slain?
- 3 Ten thousand Tears, more num'rous Sighs,
 Flow from this Heart of mine,
 In ardent Pray'r, with piercing Cries,
 I seek Redress in vain,
- 4 Whilst, passing thro' baptismal Fire,
 My Spirit frets and pines,
 And, languishing with sierce Desire,
 Would know thy deep Designs.
- 5 What! must I lose my Friends and Fame, All that's to be desir'd? Have vile Contempt pour'd on my Name, Abhorr'd, but not admir'd?
- 6 What! must Temptations yet prevail,
 And Satan sift my Heart?
 Whilst inbred Lusts my Mind assail,
 And cause me grievous Smart?
- 7 Must Heaven, Earth, and Hell unite, Against me in this War? How shall I bear this dreadful Fight, Or keep from foul Despair?

- 8 Take up the Cross, thyself deny,
 (O most ungrateful Sound!)
 Alas! I burn, and sink, and die,
 And feel the Spirit's Wound.
- 9 Is there no Way to glorify
 Thy Death and honour'd Name,
 Except I to myself thus die,
 And swim thro' Floods of Shame?
- My Expectations croft,
 Whilst all my Joys of Sense expire,
 My Reputation lost?
- 'Tis worse than Death or Hell;
 The Torment, Pangs, and dreadful Smart,
 My Tongue can never tell.
- 12 Peace, O my Soul; this is the Path
 That leads to Rest divine:
 'Tis this illustrates Jesu's Death,
 And makes his Goodness shine.
- I feel the untold Pain;
 But, ah! how loath to fuffer Loss
 Am I, tho' 'tis my Gain!

- Me with this fearching Flame,
 And, thro' thy Suff'rings, wilt baptize
 Me into all thy Name.
- 15 Since this I know, I check my Fears,
 And all I am refign;
 Fly from my Heart, ye anxious Cares,
 My Lamb, I'm wholly thine.

XXI.

- Be ready always to give an Answer to every Man that asketh you a Reason of the Hope that is in you, 1 Pet. iii. 15.
- I Solemnly we now confess,

 The Lord our Portion is;

 He, our Joy and Righteousness,

 Whilst we are ever his:

 Dead with Jesus, freed from Sin,

 We rise with him for ever free;

 Now with him are enter'd in,

 Where we his Glory see.
- 2 Human Nature's reconcil'd
 To God, the Judge of all;
 In which Nature ev'ry Child
 Restor'd from Adam's Fall,

Bears his Father's facred Name,
New-born his Likeness from Above,
Joint-Partaker with the Lamb
Of all his Nature, Love.

XXII.

But where Sin abounded, Grace did much more abound, Rom. v. 20.

And Satan is down;
We now overcome,
His Kingdom difown:
The Seed of the Woman
Hath bruifed his Head,
Hath made us that new Man,
Which Love had decreed.

Our Eden by Sin;
But we now, thro' Christ,
Again are brought in:
The Vail it is torn,
And Paradife gain'd:
The Father hath fworn;
His Promise shall stand.

Governments of Sont Son, Death, and Hell;

Jehovah is pleas'd

With Man for to dwell:

A fit Habitation,
In Spirit, for God;
A bleft, new Creation,
Pronounc'd very good.

4 We mourn not the Hour
That Adam did fall,
When his Will and Pow'r
Was forfeited all;
Nor are we now grieved,
His Glory and Crown
Could not be retrieved
By Works of his own.

The Myst'ry of Grace
Did much more abound,
When Jesus took Place
Of Man, the Offender,
To die as our Sin;
And Righteousness render
Compleat, and brought in.

God's Nature as Love:
This we, in his Son,
For ever shall prove.

By Means of Transgression,
This Grace was reveal'd:
This is our Confession,
A Truth God has feal'd.

7 When Adam was pure,
Yet mutable he:
In Jefus more fure,
Immutable we;
More highly exalted
In Christ the God-man,
Ne'er to be affaulted
By Satan again.

XXIII.

Because the Foolishness of God is wiser than Men, and the Weakness of God is stronger than Men, 1 Cor. i. 25.

Is Spirit and Life,
Deliv'ring from Shame,
The Bride, thy lov'd Wife;
Once loft, yet thy Blood hath
Restor'd us again;
God's Weakness, the Word saith,
Is stronger than Men.

Confusion to speak;
And in Man's Esteem
Thy Gospel is weak;
But mighty thro' Blood, 'twill
Deliver us when
The Weakness of God still
Is stronger than Men,

- 3 Thy Instruments are
 But low in Degree;
 'Tis always their Care
 To glorify Thee;
 Through Blood they are holy,
 Whilst none shall condemn:
 God's Weakness most truly
 Is stronger than Men.
- Tho' rich, thou wast poor,
 Tho' high, thou wast low;
 Thou empt'edst thy Store
 Salvation to shew:
 Thine infinite Blood, it
 Deliver'd us then;
 The Weakness of God, it
 Was stronger than Men.
- The Weakness of God,
 Thy Torment and Pain,
 Thy Wounds, and thy Blood,
 Declare thy Salvation:
 We'll praise it again,
 The Weakness of God, it
 Is stronger than Men.

XXIV.

Father, I will that they also whom thou hast given me, be with me where I am, John xvii. 24.

- Made us the Fulness of the Son:
 The Son, he wills that we should be
 With him, where e'er he is, as one.
- 2 In him a new Creation made,
 No more to fail, but to endure;
 Where we the Members, he the Head,
 One Body, we're conceived pure.
- 3 In him, in his mysterious Birth,
 Born in him as that holy Thing,
 Whose Praise, as God espous'd to Earth,
 The Angel Host with Joy did sing.
- 4 In him together circumcis'd,
 When all our Filthiness of Flesh,
 Which God in Holiness despis'd,
 Was quite put off in Righteousness.
- 5 In him, in all the Works he wrought;
 In him together crucify'd;
 In him, as rifen without Fault,
 And in him fully glorify'd.

- 6 With him, where e'er he was, we were,
 In all Conditions still the same;
 With him, where e'er he is, we are,
 And as him pure and free from Blame.
- 7 In feeing him, ourselves we see,
 And all his Glory as our own;
 Our Joy is full, the Son is free,
 And Jesus wears th' eternal Crown.

XXV.

For I determined not to know any Thing among you, fave Jesus Christ and him crucified, I Cor. ii. 2.

- HILST I celestial Themes pursue,
 How God, my Saviour, lov'd to Death;
 These Notes to me are ever new,
 And will be to my latest Breath.
- Almighty Babe! in Bethl'hem born,
 The Object of my folemn Praise,
 Treated by Infidels with Scorn,
 But Life, and Soul of all my Joys.
- 3 Hail! everlasting Father, God,
 Debas'd, and in a Servant's Form;
 Thou conquer'dst by thy Wounds and Blood,
 In Likeness of a sinful Worm,

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- 4 Dear Man of Sorrows, Thee we hail!
 Forfaken, Friendless, disesteem'd,
 Thy Griefs, and Blood, and Tears prevail,
 And have our Soul from Hell redeem'd.
- 5 All hail! Thou agonizing God,
 Whose pregnant Veins were rack'd with Pain,
 In fervent Love, they burst with Blood,
 Descending as the early Rain.
- 6 Hail! holy Lamb, to Slaughter led,
 Silent and guilty in our Stead,
 To Death by Man's Offence betray'd,
 Just as the Father's Love decreed.
- 7 With Shame and Ignominy us'd,
 Dragg'd by a Priest-rid Mob to Court,
 With cruel Mockings there abus'd,
 Messiah, was the Clergy's Sport.
- S Condemn'd, and to the *Heathen* fent, They follow with their louder Cry; Like Blood-hounds still upon the Scent, Infatiate 'till the *Saviour* die.
- o The Ploughers plough his facred Flesh,
 Make long and bloody Furrows there,
 With Instruments of Pain they thresh,
 And merciless his Body tear.

- To pay my Debts, he drain'd his Store;
 That we, poor Worms, might fing for Joy,
 Heav'n dying, bled at ev'ry Pore.
- The nature, bosom Love of God!

 I rise to dwell in this Above,

 Led by the Track of Jesu's Blood.

XXVI.

Bleffed are the Dead, which die in the Lord, Rev. xiv. 13.

- Ancient of everlasting Days!
 Thou daily gather'st Home thine own,
 Who bear thy Cross, to wear thy Crown.
- 2 Let all rejoice, and no one grieve, This Day we meet to take our Leave Of our dear Brother's precious Dust, Until the rising of the Just.
- One with the Body of the Lamb,
 Seal'd with Emmanuel's new Name,
 A Member of his Flesh and Bone,
 By Blood redeem'd, to Heav'n he's gone.

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- 4 Whilst here below, he knew the Lord, And sanctify'd in God the Word; In him his Spirit now shall dwell, A Conq'ror over Death and Hell.
- 5 See! how he treads the Courts Above, The Pavements of eternal Love, Wond'ring he kneels, and hails that Blood, Which reconcil'd his Heart to God.
- 6 Hark! how he thunders Jesu's Name, Before the Throne a burning Flame: With the united Host he bows, And no more Grief or Trouble knows.
- 7 Then mourn not o'er the lifeless Clay, But wait the Resurrection-day, When Christ the Saviour shall appear, And he come with him in the Air.

XXVII.

- In Burnt-Offerings and Sacrifices for Sin, thou hadst no Pleasure. Then said he, Lo! I come to do thy Will, O God, Heb. x. 6, 9.
- The Glories of the Father's Face,
 And feel his Nature, Love:

He faid he would not Sacrifice,
As offer'd by the Law;
All human Merit would despise,
His Presence thence withdraw.

Then faid the Saviour, Lo, I come
To do thy Will, My God;
He brought his Sons and Daughters home
By pouring out his Blood:
That they with him might enter in
To all the Heav'n of Love;
His Death did make an End of Sin,
The Stumbling-block remove.

Thou Lord, a Body didst prepare,
Thy own collected Seed,
For him eternally to wear,
And be the living Head.
Obedient in this Body he
Thy Counsel did fulfil,
Did every Member purify,
And do thy perfect Will.

This is the Happiness we prove,

That we the Body are,

Which our great Father in his Love,

For Jesus did prepare:

The Mystery of that conceiv'd

Within the Virgin's Womb;

Which liv'd, and dy'd, and was receiv'd

In Heav'n, rais'd from the Tomb.

With Christ in Soul and Body one,
We evermore are bleft;
Aspiring to the perfect Son,
We enter perfect Rest;
Pre-eminence to him is giv'n,
Yet in this glorious Plan,
The Head and Members enter'd Heav'n,
In one exalted Man.

XXVIII.

When it pleased God to reveal his Son in me, immediately I conferred not with Flesh and Blood, Gal. i. 15, 16.

For to reveal his Son,
Immediately our Confcience eas'd
Becomes his peaceful Throne.

Our Senses, Flesh and Blood,
But in the Day of heav'nly Pow'r
Commence the Sons of God.

3 Included all in One,
We now with Rapture tell,
We're in the Father's only Son,
In whom he's pleafed well:

- This doth our God make known
 To mortal Worms below:
 All other Matters we disown,
 This only will we know.
- 5 We leave this World behind,
 With all its Faith and Forms,
 And live in the eternal Mind,
 Free from all Hell's Alarms.
- 6 What Sense suggests we leave, With Reason's doubtful Plan, And in the Spirit's Power cleave To Christ, the perfect Man.

XXIX.

Come hither, and I will shew thee the Bride, the Lamb's Wife, Rev. xxi. 9.

HEN blinded with Pride, How vainly we try'd To find upon Earth the Lamb's beautiful Bride.

2 Of Man we enquir'd,
For her we admir'd,
Whose Peace and Communion we greatly desir'd.

3 Some faid we should find,
If we were inclin'd,
The Bride amongst Men of an orthodox Mind.

We fought amongst them,
The Bride of the Lamb,
But heard them contend, and their Brethren
condemn:

5 Their Hatred and Strife,
And bigotted Life,
Made us to conclude they were not the Lamb's
Wife.

6 Much griev'd and perplex'd, We fought for her next Where Practice of Piety's always the Text.

7 Of Holiness thereWe always did hear,And carefully watched to see it appear.

8 To witness their Grace,Soft Words and Grimace,Still dropt from the Tongue, and appear'd on the Face.

9 Of Fasting and Pray'r,Of watching with Care,And proving Man's Piety by his Despair.

10 Of Gesture and Dress,
As Matters of Stress;
The pow'rful Ingredients of Self-Righteousness.

And Evils befide,

The Beast upon which the Whore drunken doth ride.

12 'Twas now we retir'd,
And deeply despair'd
To find upon Earth what we so much desir'd.

13 We fought her by Name,
As one without Blame:
For such is the Darling, the Spouse of the Lamb.

XXX.

The same.

E're certainly fure,
And shall evermore,
That all the Religion of Man is impure.

2 An Angel of Death,
Who pours forth the Wrath
Of God, the Eternal, upon our vile Earth.

3 His Vial took up,
And pour'd out each Drop,
Our Flesh to consume thus he emptied his Cup.

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Then spake, as new Life,
To end all my Strife,
Come hither, I'll shew thee the Bride, the Lamb's
Wife.

5 In Spirit he caught
Me, fwift as a Thought,
From Adam the earthly he quickly me brought,

6 Up where the Lamb stands,
In the midst of his Friends;
A Mountain whose Top above Heaven ascends.

7 Our Nature made clean,
As Jesus is seen,
Is th' holy high Mountain which I do here mean.

8 Brought here to abide,
I quickly espy'd,
In all her Adorning, the beautiful Bride.

9 Most glorious her Name, And free from all Blame, The holy Jerusalem, Wise of the Lamb.

An eternal Renown,

As having the Glory of God for her own.

11 Most precious her Light,
As Jasper is bright,
Yea, clear as the Crystal appears to the Sight.

XXXI.

The Same.

DEliver'd from Pain,
Lo! now I attain,
To know her I fought for on Earth fo in Vain.

2 The Bride's Purity,
I see thro' the Eye
Of her God and Husband, who dwelleth on high.

3 In Spirit, now bold,
I plainly behold,
I am of this Body, O Wonder untold!

I now am at Peace;
I live in the Grace,
That keeps the Bride ever in th' Husband's
Embrace.

5 My Praise shall abound
With heavenly Sound,
A Church now perfected in Love I have found!

6 My Jesus reveals,
By op'ning the Seals
To me, what from Thousands he ever conceals.

XXXU.

The Voice said, Cry. And he said, What shall I cry? All Flesh is Grass, and all the Goodliness thereof is as the Flower of the Field. The Grass withereth, the Flower fadeth; because the Spirit of the Lord bloweth upon it—but the Word of our God shall stand for-ever, Isa. xl. 6, 7, 8.

Ond'rous Voice, which cries with Pow'r,
All Flesh as Grass is mean;
All its Good is as the Flow'r
Which fades, and is not seen:
Surely all the People's Grass;
Nor is their Goodliness esteem'd:
All their Work and Righteousness
Are fading Flowers deem'd.

2 Blows the Spirit of our God,
All fleshly Good is lost;
Speaks with Pow'r the Saviour's Blood;
Man's Glory sinks to Dust:
Fails all Flesh before the Lord,
And, with'ring, dies at his Command;
Nought but God's eternal Word
Shall in his Presence stand.

And nothing stand beside;
He, that Word of God most sure,
In whom exists his Bride:
Blest in him with perfect Peace,
We cease from all our sleshly Good;
He came witnessing this Grace,
By Water and by Blood.

My Soul is fatisfy'd;

All my Guilt, by Adam's Fall,

Ceas'd when the Saviour dy'd;

With him I arose to Light,

And glor'ous Immortality;

In him beauteous to the Sight

Of facred Deity.

The Lamb accepted stands!

In him shines the Father's Face
On Souls from ev'ry Land:
He our Captain, Prince, and Head,
Foundation of this Truth divine;
All Jehovah's fav'rite Seed
Collected in him shine.

XXXIII.

Behold the Lion of the Tribe of Judah, the Root of David, hath prevailed to open the Book, and loose the Seals thereof. And I beheld a Lamb as it had been slain; and he came and took the Book out of the right Hand of him who sat on the Throne, Rev. v. 5, 6, 7.

- HAT dazzling Glories strike mine Eye! How infinite the Mystery! What Truth divine doth God reveal, When Judah's Lion breaks the Seal! Expounds to Man that facred Book, Which from the Father's Hand he took.
- In God, nor was it yet reveal'd;
 Nor Men, nor Angels could difcern,
 Nor might the Father's Nature learn:
 Nor was there found a worthy One
 To take the Book, and look thereon.
- 3 But, to dispel our gloomy Fears,
 A Lamb with Marks of Death appears;
 Deep Wounds, with Blood-exhausted Vein,
 Denoted that he had been slain:
 And in that wounded Form prevail'd
 To read the Book, tho' sev'n Times seal'd.

4 When ev'ry Seal is open broke,
And each attending Voice hath spoke,
An universal Silence reigns,
Whilst he the sacred Page explains:
Our Heav'n itself in Silence waits,
What the dear worthy Lamb relates.

XXXIV.

The same.

- HRIST's Birth and Circumcision too,
 His Fasting and Temptation shew,
 His Agony and bloody Sweat,
 His wounded Heart and Torments great,
 His Blood, his Death, and all shall prove
 The Fulness of the Godhead-Love.
- 2 'Tis he who groans and cries aloud,
 And weeps, and fighs, and hangs in Blood;
 'Tis as his Soul was put to Pain,
 And as he was most sharply slain;
 That he is worthy to unseal
 The Book of God, and all reveal.
- 3 Under this Form, we hear him preach,
 And, by his Wounds, his Brethren teach,
 That God is Love to favour'd Man,
 And was ere Worlds or Time began;
 His Being, Name, and Nature, Love:
 This calls us up to Worlds above.

Are now destroy'd, and all beside, Which renders it unmeet for God; The Lamb hath purg'd us by his Blood: Our Happiness he always wills, And in us all his Joy fulfils.

XXXV.

Who hath faved us, and called us with an holy Calling; not according to our Works, but according to his own Purpose and Grace, which was given us in Christ Jesus, before the World began: But is now made manifest, by the Appearing of our Saviour Jesus Christ, 2 Tim. i. 9, 10.

Led up to the Creator's Love,
With every perfect Spirit;
The Nature, Love, and Life in God,
We foar to know, by Jeju's Blood,
And all its Bliss inherit:

Now feal'd,
And heal'd
Of our Blindness,
Thro' the Kindness
Of our Jesus,
Who from Sin did quite release us.

2 Our God so lov'd his Creature Man;
He was before the World began
The first Word by him spoken:
Declared then his only Son
In Union with the Godhead one;
A perfect Proof and Token
Of Grace
And Peace;
All this Blessing,
Without ceasing,
To the Creature,
And that God did love their Nature.

3 Whilst all in Heav'n rejoic'd in this,
Tho' they but faintly saw the Bliss
Of human Exaltation;
We, whom it most concern'd to know,
Were kept in Blindness here below,
By Sin from all Sensation.
Nor could,
Nor would
We believe it,
Nor receive it,
When he prov'd us,
Saying, Our Creator lov'd us.

4 The Father faw us funk in Sin,
Our Nature spoiled, blind, unclean,
Unmeet for his enjoying;
Resolv'd he was to work our Cure,
Resolv'd to make our Nature pure,
By all our Sins destroying:

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Then Love
Above,
Laid the Scheme, of
What's the Theme of
All the bleffed,
Who are of their God careffed.

Yea, comes himself to Worms undone;
Is found in all our Fashion;
Thro' all our Reputation's Loss,
He tracks us to the shameful Cross,
And seels us in his Passion.

We fell
To Hell;
He o'er took us,
Nor forfook us;
But redeem'd us,
And as his own Heav'n esteem'd us.

XXXVI.

The same.

I HOW deep was that which Christ sustain'd,
When in his Soul and Body pain'd,
He sigh'd, and wept, and roar'd;
From many Wounds a second Flood
Springs forth, which drowns the World in Blood!
By which we are assured,

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His Pain's
Our Gain;
For he died
Greatly tried,
As our Folly;
Our Offence there ceafes wholly.

2 From Sin and Sinner's Curse he rose
Triumphant over all his Foes,
And thus restor'd our Nature;
And in that Nature every Child
To Godhead fully reconcil'd,
Receiv'd their Father's Feature:
Fully
Holy.

Holy,
In his Likeness
Are his Brightness;
Each begotten,
Bears his Image who begot him.

3 Now, through the Saviour's Blood, we prove The Father's Heart and Nature Love, And all our Warfare finish'd;

Nor Good, nor Bad, as wrought by Man, Availeth here; nor is this Plan

Added to or diminish'd:

Our Bliss

Is this:

Jesus lives us

Freely gives us

(True the Story)
All his Sonship, Fruits and Glory.

XXXVII.

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In the Beauties of Holiness from the Womb of the Morning, thou hast the Dew of thy Youth, Ps. cx. 3.

I HAT Glories furrounding my Saviour
I fee!

What Beauties triumphant, my Jesus in Thee! What Glory, or Power may with Thee compare,

Or thy Generation, what Tongue can declare? The Heavens are filent and cannot decide, This Mystery only belongs to the Bride.

2 Thou hast, my dear Saviour, in Glory and Truth,

From the Womb of the Morning, the Dew of thy Youth:

The Morning of Love, eternal and bright, With Honour bedew'd thee, and nourish'd

thee right;
When fecretly thou wast existing above,

When fecretly thou wast existing above, In God, as the Word, and the Son of his Love.

3 Thine Off-spring for Number as Sands on the Shore,

Or Morning Dew Drops on the Earth scatter'd o'er,

Were

Were then as thy Mystery, Fulness and Truth, All gather'd in thee as the Dew of thy Youth: In thee as thy Splendor of Youth did we shine; In Beauties of Holiness, Godlike, divine.

4 And when we had fallen from Heaven to Earth,

And could not return there, but thro' a new Birth;

Our Nature as spoil'd, in Adam who fell, As sunk in our-Reason and Senses to Hell, We then were in Myst'ry preserved in thee; Our Earthy tho' fallen, our Heavenly was free-

5 As the fecond Adam then didst thou appear,
The Lord from on High for to banish our Fear;
Thou found'st us sunk in the earthy lost Man,
And him thou assumedst to finish the Plan,
That Plan where 'twas fix'd that Transgression
should cease,

And all our Creation restor'd to thy Peace.

6 This hast thou effected by shedding thy Blood,
Hast brought back our Nature in Union with
God.

From the earthy Man thou hast set us free, Hast brought us to live and to triumph in thee. 'Tis here we receive our Intelligence sure, Of our Preservation in thee always pure.

XXXVIII.

To the Intent that now unto the Principalities and Powers in heavenly Places, might be known, by the Church, the manifold Wisdom of God, Eph. iii. 10.

HO can fay what Glories lie
Hid in Jesu's Mystery?
What the Birth he had from God?
What the Riches of his Blood?
O, thou favour'd Bride!
Honour'd when thy Lover dy'd;
With a Proof of Love divine,
Say, how all he is, is thine.

2 My Belov'd, the holy One,
Our eternal Father's Son,
Always did in God exist,
Ere he was declar'd the Christ:
Secret of the Lord,
God's internal formed Word,
His eternal Thought of Man,
Now reveal'd in Gospel Plan.

3 This lay hid till Lust conceiv'd,
Bringing forth what soon bereav'd
Man of all his Righteousness,
Life, and Soul, and Happiness;
Then was that reveal'd,
Which so long had been conceal'd,

How that heavenly Man our Head, Was the Church's Root and Seed.

A He our faithful Seed and true, Root divine on which we grew, Sould restore our blasted Tree, Set our captive Nature free;

Thus preferv'd in him, He was destined to redeem Us from Sin and Satan's Pow'r, Our Intelligence restore.

XXXIX.

The same.

- And our earthy Man assumes;
 All his Image fully bears,
 All his Curse, and Sin, and Fears,
 Sunk to all his Hell;
 Follow'd him where e'er he fell,
 Careful still for to expose
 Sin to all deserved Woes.
- Thro' his Side and pierced Heart;
 Thro' each nervous tender Part,
 The awaken'd Sword of God,
 Bath'd in Heav'n, in Sinners Blood.
 O! the Mystery,
 Thro' his Body's Agony,

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The Battle enter'd to his Soul, Floods of Wrath did o'er him roll.

- 3 Sweat, and Blood, and streaming Wounds,
 Cover him, whilst dreadful Sounds
 Rend the frighted Atmosphere,
 Piercing ev'ry hearing Ear:
 Most confused Noise!
 Now we hear the Conq'ror's Voice;
 Then deep Groans and horrid Yell,
 All the wild uproar of Hell.
- A See the Battle fiercer grow;
 Blood in mighty Torrents flow;
 Quakes the Earth, and rends the Rocks,
 Nature feels tremendous Shocks,
 Whilst the Sun, by Flight,
 Speaks the near approach of Night;
 Bury'ng all the Conq'rors Wrath
 In the vanquish'd Rebels Death.

XL.

The same.

LL is hush, the Battle's o'er!
Darkness reigns in purple Gore;
Each Intelligence intent
Trembling waits the great Event.
All are in Suspense—
Here I'll stay, nor wander hence,

'Till the Day-spring from on High Speaks, who gain'd the Victory.

- See a Gleam of Light appears!
 Combats now my Hope and Fears;
 Now the heav'nly Glory's come;
 O! who starts from yonder Tomb,
 Cover'd all with Blood,
 Pale and wounded? 'Tis my God!
 'Tis the Man who conqu'ring fell,
 Dying, vanquish'd Death and Hell!
- 3 Heav'nly Laurels crown his Head!
 Sin, and Hell, and Death are dead;
 The old Serpent's Head is broke;
 Heav'n by Violence is took.
 Hail! thou conq'ring Heart;
 Thou my new Creation art:
 Hail! my Flesh, and Bone, and Blood;
 Hail! myself, redeem'd to God.
- 4 I in him, and he in me,
 Perfect one in Mystery;
 With him, where, and as he is,
 Fully enter'd into Bliss:
 There shall I abide,
 In my Nature purify'd:
 Here I enter perfect Rest:
 The Father's Praise, his King and Priest.

XLI.

And he that sat upon the Throne said, Behold, I make all Things new—And he said unto me, It is done; I am Alpha and Omega, the Beginning and the End, Rev. xxi. 5, 6.

The Visions of the Lord,
With Admiration fill'd,
He heard the Father's Word
Revealing what his Purpose was,
And what his Love should bring to pass.

2 Thus spake the fov'reign Lord, Whilst on his Throne he sat,

"Hear ye my faithful Word; Behold I will create,

" And make all Things in Love anew:

"Write thou these Words, for they are true."

3 When God had thus declar'd

The fecret of his Will,

The Man who was prepar'd

His Counfel to fulfil,

Emphatically fpake to John,

And faid, "Behold, the Work is done:

4 "For I the Alpha am, "And the Omega too;

"You, in this facred Name,
"The finish'd Work may view:

" I, the Beginning and the End

" Of all the Joys which you attend."

In him is now fulfill'd;
In Spirit there we fee
All Things are reconcil'd,
And made conformable to God,
Wash'd from all Filth in Fesu's Blood.

- 6 New Heav'ns and Earth we spy,
 With Hearts of God inspir'd,
 Which ancient Prophecy
 Foretold, and Saints desir'd:
 That Jesus is this Grace, is true,
 Where old Things cease, and all is new.
- 7 New Nature, pure, divine,
 New Testament and Plan,
 New Glories on us shine,
 In Christ the heav'nly Man;
 Our old Man he was crucify'd,
 And lost from us when Jesus dy'd.
- 8 'Tis done, we're made anew,
 And our Intelligence
 Receives the Record true;
 In Spirit we commence
 That perfect Man, who did proclaim
 The first and last to be his Name.

XLII.

And his Name shall, be called WONDERFUL,
Ifa. ix. 6.

And wonderful thou art!
We, in Spirit, proftrate fall,
And hail thy wounded Heart!
Thou haft us redeem'd to God,
From ev'ry Nation, Kindred, Tongue;
Thou haft wash'd us in thy Blood,
And taught us the new Song.

2 Jesus only is the Lord,
He only holy is;
Jesus is by us ador'd,
He is our perfect Bliss;
We in him, and he in us,
Thro' all his Wounds, and Death, and Blood,
In one Body on the Cross
Were perfected to God.

Thou, O Christ, in Zion prais'd,
Whom we our Saviour call,
In the Godhead's Glory rais'd
Above the Heavens all:
Thee we hail, thou Prince of Heav'n!
'Tis thee we hail, thou faithful Heart!
Thou thyself to us hast giv'n;
All hail our better Part!

A Worthy is the holy Lamb,
Pre-eminence is giv'n;
Greatly glorious is his Name,
Above the highest Heav'n!
Yet he names on us his Name,
And boldly owns the Brotherhood,
Calls us Brethren without Shame,
And us presents to God.

XLIII.

The Answer of a good Conscience towards God, by the Resurrection of Jesus Christ, 1 Pet. iii. 21.

In Jesus do shine!
And yet all I see, I, with Boldness, call mine.

2 With him crucify'd,
When Jesus he dy'd,
My Nature was purg'd, and to God purify'd.

3 To me it is plain
When Jesus was slain,
Eternal Redemption he then did obtain.

4 From Bondage and Chains, From Sin and Hell-pains, Redemption of all in one Man he obtains. 5 Baptiz'd into him, Who did me redeem, His Person and Glories are my constant Theme.

6 For all of the Lamb
I rightfully claim,
To rest in his Fulness of Stature I aim.

7 The Father makes known
What he hath bestown
On Christ, and instructs me to call it my own.

XLIV.

The same.

I OR Reason, nor Sense Knows how I commence The Man that is perfect, and free from Offence.

2 And yet what I fay
Is Truth, and the Way
To Rest that is glorious, tho' Reason say nay.

3 In Jesus as clean
My Spirit's brought in,
Where I shall no more have a Conscience of Sin.

4 My Conscience is pure
In Jesus, and sure
Of answering in Peace towards God evermore.

5 This deep Holiness,
Which now I possess,
Is not by my cleansing the Filth of the Flesh.

6 My Conscience it saith,
It is by the Faith
Of Christ's Resurrection, from Sin, Hell, and
Death.

7 In Jesus complete, My Brethren I'll greet; All hail, happy People, our Honours are great!

XLV.

For he hath made him to be Sin for us, who knew no Sin, that we might be made the Righteousness of God in him, 2 Cor. 5. 21.

Which fo transparently doth shine,
Which so transparently doth shine,
No more in Reason's Path I rove,
To search the Mystery divine.
From all that's sensual slies my Heart,
And enters deep Infinity,
With Spirits blest to bear a Part,
In one melodious Harmony.

2 Helpless in Infancy I see, In likeness of a sinful Worm, Reduc'd to Shame and Poverty,
My God in most despised Form:
He liv'd but until the eighth Day,
Ere he commenc'd the suff'ring Lamb,
By holy sign to put away
Our Flesh Pollutions, and our Shame.

- Our spreading Filth contracted close,
 Within the Compass of a Span,
 Affrights the Child from calm Repose,
 To feel the Misery of Man:
 His Life was painful, void of Rest,
 Full of Reproach, Contempt and Scorn;
 With weighty Griefs and Woes opprest,
 Till all Chastisements be had borne.
- The more in Years he did increase,
 The more its Pressure he did feel,
 Till Time drew near when Sin should cease,
 And he his Testament should feal;
 Then Sin and Satan had the Sway,
 To vex, accuse him, and condemn,
 Whilst God did all his Wrath display,
 To end all Sin, and Man redeem.
- Thy Conflicts in thine Agony,
 When strengthen'd by a kind Support,
 Shews how our pond'rous Load did lie
 With Anguish on thy very Heart;
 Trembling beneath our Curse and Woe,
 With Groans in most excessive Pain,

Thy bloody Sweat, like Rivers flow, Collected from descending Rain.

6 Now see him destin'd to the Cross,
With dreadful Horror fore oppress'd,
There Sin sustain'd its endless Loss,
And all Transgression there hath ceas'd.
High as an Ensign there he hangs,
In Blood, by Heav'n and Earth forsook;
All Nature groan'd in dreadful Pangs,
And Earth's Foundations rudely shook.

7 His Life expiring with a Groan,
His Soul starts from his Body torn;
The Bride came to her native Home,
From all his Wounds renew'd and born:
'Tis finish'd! loud the Echo sounds,
Our ransom Price is fully paid;
'The Father's pleas'd to see those Wounds,
Where Sin is stain, and Vengeance staid.

- Shis lifeless Body drain'd of Blood,
 Then was fulfill'd that faithful Word,
 Spoken of old by Men of God;
 How Nature spoil'd, should be restor'd;
 'Twas done when radiant he arose
 Triumphant over Death and Hell;
 Then in him rose the darling Spouse,
 With him in all his Bliss to dwell.
- 9 God's royal Cloathing now are we, And he hath mark'd us with his Name, Together

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Together with the Son made free,
For-ever perfect, without Blame.
One Life, one Joy with him we have:
Whilst in this World's bewilder'd Maze,
We nothing more defire or crave,
Incessantly we Jesus praise!

XLVI.

- Arise, shine; for thy Light is come, and the Glory of the Lord is risen upon thee, Isa. 1x. 1.
- The Glory of the Lord appears;
 No more in Darkness may we roam,
 Expos'd to Guilt and many Fears.
- 2 The Day-spring glorious from on high, Beams forth in Brightness all divine; Our nightly Fears and Troubles die, Whilst we in perfect Beauty shine.
- 3 The Godhead's Glory rifing bright
 On us, in Christ the heav'nly Man,
 Declares us perfect in his Sight,
 Whilst we admire the gracious Plan.
- 4 What e'er we lost we here regain;
 The End of all our Toil is come,
 Nor Sin, nor Curse doth now remain,
 We rest in God our native Home.

- of Sin, no nor of Righteousness, Demonstrate as what doth remain In us, to Comfort or Distress.
- 6 But all the Consciousness we have, Of what Condition we are in, Is after Christ, rais'd from the Grave, A Conq'ror over Hell and Sin.
- 7 There in our Nature greatly bleft,
 And purg'd from ev'ry Ill, thro' Blood,
 Our Confcience finds eternal Rest,
 And answers peacefully to God.

XLVII.

The same.

- ERE shall no Trouble or Dismay Reach us, nor Want, nor Sin, nor Shame, For Christ To-day and Yesterday, And to Eternity's the same.
- 2 Here consummate in Joy and Peace, We hail that wounded, bleeding Heart, Where, sav'd from Sin, we'll never cease To praise the Lamb our better Part.

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- 3 Now all Things in one Period turn; Sin dare no more to show its Head; No more we want, nor figh, nor mourn, On ev'ry Foe we conqu'ring tread.
- 4 The End is come, God hath appear'd,
 Assum'd our Flesh, and Blood, and Bone;
 The Body, in his Love, prepar'd,
 Is that where Christ and we are one.
- 5 O Death! where's now thy Sting and Curse?
 Where's now thy boasted Pow'r and Might?
 We feel no more the dread Remorse,
 Nor can thy Terrors us affright.
- 6 Glory to our incarnate God!
 We're fav'd in him, the Work is done;
 He leads us, by the Saviour's Blood,
 Up to the Glories of his Throne.

XLVIII.

He that spared not his own Son, but deliver'd him up for us all; how shall he not with him freely give us all Things? Rom. viii. 32.

E now with Gladness tell,
What Proof our God hath giv'n,
That we with him shall ever dwell
Above the highest Heav'n.

- 2 That our Creator's Love,
 Effentially, to Man;
 His Dealings with us fully prove,
 Thro' all the Christian Plan.
- 3 Such was his Love to us,
 He freely gave his Son
 To fuffer Death upon the Cross,
 And, bleeding, there atone.
- 4 For us he made him Sin,

 Then pierc'd him to the Heart;

 This to destroy, the Spear went in,

 For this he bare his Smart.
- 5 Beneath the pond'rous Load
 His finking Spirit fell,
 From Heav'n, his high and bleft Abode,
 To the Confines of Hell.
- 6 His Soul with Anguish rent,
 His Head with Trouble bow'd;
 He gave his unknown Sorrows vent,
 And, roaring, cry'd aloud.
- 7 His Sighs, and Tears, and Groans,
 His inward Torments speak;
 His Struggles hard, with piteous Moans,
 'Till all his Heart-strings break.

- 8 His loud and piercing Cry,
 Effect of Pain and Fear,
 Did, as the choicest Melody,
 Salute the Father's Ear.
- 9 Not Songs of Morning-Stars, Nor Angels highest Praise, Could so delight his holy Ears, Or like Harmony raise.
- Commended towards us;
 Such was the Pleasure which he had
 In Sin's Destruction thus.

XLIX.

The Same.

- Beheld his Son in Blood, With Pleasure infinitely high, Peculiar to a God.
- 2 Nor did (when Time began)
 That Work pronounc'd fo good,
 Appear fo pleafing as this Man,
 Adorn'd with Wounds and Blood.

- 3 This Sign and Token giv'n,
 Sufficiently doth prove,
 Without another Sign from Heav'n,
 That God, our Father's Love.
- 4 Here all our Sin hath ceas'd;
 Our Joys are here secure;
 Our Nature from the Curse releas'd,
 Thro' Jesu's Death is pure.
- 5 Then was our Heav'n brought in, And we were fav'd from Guilt, When Christ in Character of Sin, Annihilation felt.

L.

For ye know the Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that, though he was rich, yet for your Sakes he became poor, that ye, through his Poverty, might be rich, 2 Cor. viii. 9.

- I ESUS, how glorious is thy Grace!
 How excellent thy Name!
 Unclouded Heavens in thy Face,
 Thou venerable Lamb.
- Tho' thou wast rich in Angel's Songs,
 Thou willingly wast born
 To feel the Rage of mortal Tongues,
 Their Ridicule and Scorn.

- 3 Tho' thou wast rich in Pow'r supreme, Yet didst thou condescend, From Worms of Earth to suffer Shame, And Insults from the Fiend.
- 4 Tho' thou wast rich in Righteousness,
 Divinely pure within;
 Yet didst thou feel Helt's deep Distress,
 When made our Curse and Sin.
- 5 Tho' thou wast infinitely high And rich, yet didst thou take The deepest Shame and Poverty, And for the Sinner's sake:
- 6 That, thro' thy Poverty and Loss,
 We might be rich and blest;
 And, by the Labours of thy Cross,
 Might gain eternal Rest.
- 7 Inrich'd by all thy Loss and Smart,
 Thy Heav'n's on Man bestow'd;
 Witness'd, when from thy bleeding Heart
 The Blood and Water flow'd.
- Our dearest Lord, we bless thy Grace,
 Thy wond'rous Love admire;
 To see the Beauties of thy Face,
 May all the World desire.

9 Live Jesius, live for-ever more, Whilst all the Sons of God Thy glorious Person shall adore, And bless thy Grace and Blood.

LI.

In his Humiliation, his Judgment was taken away, Acts viii. 33.

- JESUS, thy Beauties I explore!
 Who am a helples Worm;
 Adoring now and evermore
 Thy crucified Form.
- 2 When on thy Cross, my dearest Lord, What Love didst thou display!
 Eternal Annals shall record
 The great, uncommon Day.
- 3 Down low, beneath the Wrath of Heav'n,
 Thy troubled Soul did bow;
 Humiliation deeply grav'n
 Upon thy bleeding Brow.
- 4 My God! my God! was then thy Cry,
 Why hast thou me forsook?
 Nature, replying with a Sigh,
 In strong Convulsions shook.

- 5 More marr'd than any Man's thy Face,
 Thy Judgment's took away;
 Nor Men, nor Angels then could trace
 Thy Mystery, thy Day.
- 6 Thou didst, when in the Depths of Hell,
 An awful Silence keep;
 No Tongue like thine can ever tell
 The Horrors of the Deep.
- 7 Strong Pains of Death encompass'd Thee, And hellish Pangs were felt, That thou might'st fet thy Children free From all their Sin and Guilt.
- 8 Tho' Satan once did us enflave,
 Now thou hast bruis'd his Head;
 And in thyself didst fully save
 Thy lov'd, thy royal Seed.
- Hence everlasting Praise belongs
 To thee our God and King:
 Do thou but influence our Songs,
 And we will ever fing.

LII.

Comfort ye, comfort ye my People, saith your God: Speak ye comfortably to Jerusalem; and cry unto her, that her Warfare is accomplished, that her Iniquity is pardoned; for she hath received, at the Lord's Hand, double for all her Sins, Isa. xl. 1. 2.

People, faith your God;
Comfortably speak ye to her,
(Shout and Cry aloud);
Tell her that her Warfare's o'er,
Tell her that her Vict'ry's sure;
Sin, nor Wrath, nor second Death,
Shall ne'er o'ertake her more.

2 Sin is pardon'd, &c,
God the Word did give;
The most harden'd, &c.
Now shall hear and live:
She receiv'd, to make her clean,
(From his Hand for ev'ry Sin)
Grace and Trouble, fully double;
Joy ye Sons of Men!

Thou art lifted high;
That shall please us, &c.
To Eternity:

What these Tidings good contain,
Thy dear Blood and Wounds explain:
Never-ending Love! descending
By thy Smart and Pain.

All our Warfare, &c.

Thou'ft accomplish'd well;

Bravely conquer'd, &c.

Sin, and Death, and Hell:

Thee we hail, thou King of Heav'n!

Thou thy all to us hast giv'n;

In thy Blood, our Lord and God,

We find our holy Leav'n.

5 Thy Soul-Trouble, &c.
Suff'ring in our Room,
's more than double, &c.
Adam's awful Doom:
All the Plenitude of Grace
Fills thy fweet, thy lovely Face;
More abounding, deeper founding,
Than our finful Cafe.

Fully is our own;
No Ambition, &c.
This, but truly known;
What the Members all may know:
Living in their Head, they'll grow
Up to this, the Source of Blifs,
Where endless Comforts flow.

7 Holy Saviour, &c.
Glorious is thy Name!
Each Believer, &c.
Sing, the bleeding Lamb:
Ever may thy Glories shine!
Worthy thou, the Lamb divine!
Glorious Praise, Ancient of Days,
Be ever, ever thine.

LIII.

We have not an High-Priest, who cannot be touched with a Feeling of our Instructions, Heb. iv.

- Y dearest Lamb, who bear'st my Grief,
 Thy Sympathy affords Relief
 To thy poor, drooping Bride:
 Thy Blood, as Wine, shall cheer my Heart;
 I'll draw my Ease from all thy Smart,
 And from thy pierced Side.
- 2 When thy poor Church grows tir'd and faint,
 And, overburden'd, makes Complaint
 Of fome tremendous Load,
 Which finks her Mind in Heaviness,
 And all her inward Pow'rs distress,
 As with an absent God.

- 3 Thou fay'st, thou hast been tempted fore, In ev'ry Point like her, and more; Witness the shameful Cross:

 Now touch'd with ev'ry feeling Sense Of what can give thy Bride Offence; Hence she sustains no Loss.
- 4 If in the Dust she fainting sit,
 Washing her loving Saviour's Feet
 With her o'erslowing Tears;
 Thou gently dost her Spirit raise,
 Filling her Heart with Songs of Praise,
 And banishing her Fears.
- 5 Thou canst not see us weep alone,
 But Sigh for Sigh, and Groan for Groan,
 With us thou bear'st a Part;
 Whilst pants the Soul, with throbbing Breast,
 With equal Sympathy opprest,
 We feel thy loving Heart.

LIV.

By Night on my Bed, I fought him whom my Soul loveth, Cant. iii. 1.

Earest Jesus, tho' unseen,
My believing Heart must love thee;
Poor, despised Nazarene,

A kind and constant Friend I prove thee; Sinking in thy balmy Name, O, how I love my dearest Lamb.

- 2 Night and Day I vent my Sighs,
 Languishing to see my Saviour:
 With warm Heart and wond'ring Eyes,
 I'd view my dying God for-ever:
 Here I always would abide;
 O, this I choose, and nought beside!
- Jacke the widow'd Turtle-Dove,
 I, dear, lovely Man, adore thee;
 Pants my Soul quite faint with Love,
 Singing, "O my Love, restore me
 "To thy Presence, sweet and free;
 "O, how I long to be with thee!"
- O'er the Hills I fee him come,
 Swift as darts the piercing Lightning,
 Scatters all my horrid Gloom;
 All my Joys are quick and brightning:
 Welcome, welcome, dearest Lamb;
 O, how his Presence feeds my Flame!
- Praise shall my glad Lips employ,
 Praise shall all my Pow'rs enliven,
 To the Fountain of my Joy,

 Jesus, Prince of Earth and Heaven:
 He is mine, and I am his;
 O, he's my Glory and my Bliss!

LV.

- Make haste, my Beloved; and be thou like to a Roe, or to a young Hart, upon the Mountains of Spices, Cant. viii. 14.
- Y Beloved! haste away,
 Sick of Love, for thee I languish;
 Fails my Soul at thy Delay,
 Feels a dying Lover's Anguish:
 Quickly, quickly, Fesus come,
 O make my Breast thy native Home.
- 2 Ev'ry Moment feems an Age, 'Till thy Presence shall relieve me, 'Till thy Smiles my Woes assuage, And thine Absence no more grieve me: Quickly, &c.
- 3 Great the Force and Power of Love,
 Whence springs all my strong Desires;
 I, thy Presence, Lord, to prove,
 Burn, consum'd, with inward Fires:
 Quickly, &c.
- 4 Honour, Wealth, and Ease I scorn,
 Trisles, by the World approv'd;
 To superior Joys I'm born,
 Cent'ring in my Well-belov'd:
 Quickly, &c.

O'er the spicy Mountains sly
Hart and Roe, yea Winds out-stripping;
Whilst thou tarry'st, Love, I die,
Sighing, longing, loving, weeping;
Quickly, quickly, Jesus come,
O make my Breast thy native Home.

LVI.

Who against Hope believed in Hope, Rom. iv. 18.

- HEN I behold my bleeding God, Each Mountain feems a Plain; But if I e'er forget his Blood, The Mountains rife again.
- 2 What means my inbred Sense, so rude, To war against my Peace? Or why should Reason bold intrude Upon a Saviour's Grace?
- 3 What tho' my Senses loudly say,
 I have nor Faith, nor Love;
 Nor am I in the living Way
 That leads to Realms above?
- 4 What if to increase still my Grief,
 It summons Lust and Pride,
 Hardness of Heart, and Unbelief,
 And all my Ills beside:

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- 5 And, from the Whole, would witness this,
 Thou art devoid of Grace;
 How canst thou hope, in Worlds of Bliss,
 To see the Saviour's Face?
- 6 To this, the Witness of my Lord, (Greater than all in me), Replies, in his unerring Word, The Saviour's Grace is free.
- 7 The Man who works not, but believes
 On him who justifies
 Ungodly Souls, in Christ receives
 The Life that never dies.
- 8 Our Saviour full Atonement made,
 When for our Sins he dy'd;
 And, when he left Death's gloomy Shade,
 Our Persons justify'd.
- Who shall condemn? 'twas Jesus dy'd,
 'Twas Jesus rose again;
 He with himself hath justify'd
 The sinful Sons of Men.
- Rejoicing, I believe,
 Against my hopeless Guilt and Shame,
 And thus, by Faith, I live.

LVII.

The World is crucified unto me, and I unto the World, Gal. vi. 14.

- Arewel, vain World, from thee I cease,
 Having survey'd thee round;
 Thy Honour, Wealth, thy Joy and Peace,
 I've now a Bubble found.
- 2 Thou hast disown'd and hated me, Whilst I to please thee strove; Now I disown and slee from thee, And from thy hated Love.
- 3 To me thy Rage, and cruel Hate, In infant Years began; Nor did it in the least abate, When I grew up to Man.
- 4 Thro' Disappointments all my Days,
 I've been by thee opprest:
 Yea, curs'd and cross'd in all the Ways,
 Where other Men were blest.
- 5 The Good I fought, was still deny'd
 By thee, vain World, with Scorn,
 Until my Soul, in Anguish cry'd,
 O Lord, why was I born?

- 6 Then, lifting up my weeping Eye,
 I faw my Saviour stand,
 Array'd in glorious Majesty,
 The Balance in his Hand.
- 7 This World, and all its Glories high, He weigh'd with prudent Care, Against the lightest Vanity, And found it lighter far.
- 8 His Love-Defigns he made me know:
 Then that fictitious Dream,
 This World, with all the painted Show,
 Flew up and kick'd the Beam.
- 9 Now art thou crucify'd to me;
 Yet I've fustain'd no Loss:
 And I am crucify'd to thee,
 Thanks to my Saviour's Cross!
- Nor crush'd beneath thy Frown;
 My Jesus blasts thy Cobweb Wiles,
 And gives the glorious Crown.

LVIII.

The Lord himself shall give you a Sign, behold, a Virgin shall conceive and bear a Son, Isa. vii. 14.

- Of Godhead manifest in Clay,
 And of a Woman born!
 The promis'd Son to us is giv'n,
 The Glories of indulgent Heav'n,
 Our Nature doth adorn.
- Let it be told to distant Lands,
 How softly wrapp'd in Swaddling-Bands,
 And in a Manger laid,
 Was he, whom we with Joy confess,
 The glorious Lord, our RIGHTEOUSNESS!
 Born of the favour'd Maid.
- 3 Long did the Saints with Ardour figh
 To fee his Day, and thus did cry,
 Defire of Nations come:
 More bleft are we who fee and prove
 The Fulness of the Father's Love,
 Born from the Virgin's Womb!
- The Lord himself hath giv'n the Sign Of richest Grace, and love divine,
 Promis'd of old to Man;
 How that a Virgin should conceive:
 The wond'rous Tidings we believe,
 And praise her first-born Son.

- 5 We join with Angel-Hosts to cry,
 Glory to God, to God on high;
 Peace on rebellious Earth:
 To Man Good-will abounds from Heav'n;
 The Proof of all is richly giv'n
 In this mysterious Birth!
- 6 What Things are these which Angels say?
 A Saviour born! yea, born to Day,
 In David's native Town:
 A Saviour, who is Christ the Lord;
 For so declares the heavenly Word;
 Hear, wonder, and bow down!
- 7 The Wonderful, the holy Child,
 The everlasting Father stil'd,
 The mighty God art thou;
 The Counsellor, the Prince of Peace,
 Whose glorious Kingdom ne'er shall cease,
 Nor Wars, nor Tumults know.
- 8 The Cloud on our Nativity
 Dispels in this thy Mystery,
 Thou holy, undefil'd:
 Our finful Nature's born again
 In this thy Birth, without a Stain,
 And can no more be spoil'd.

LIX.

We shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is,

I John iii. 2.

- BY Grace we know, to us it's clear, When Christ, our Saviour, shall appear, We shall be like him, O what Bliss! For we shall see him as he is.
- 2 When as he is we him descry, In Spirit's Light and Mystery; Unnumber'd Beauties in him shine, Beauties of God and Man divine:
- 3 Beauties of Holiness and Grace, Adorn our Saviour's lovely Face; Eternal Truth and Righteousness Doth he in Purity possess.
- 4 When as he is we him do fee, From ev'ry Spot and Wrinkle free: How glorious is the worthy Lamb! How venerable is his Name!
- 5 But, O what glorious Grace is this! That when we fee him as he is, We fee ourselves, and are affur'd That we are like our dearest Lord.

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- 6 As we his mystic Fulness are, He gives us each a Member's Share In all his Grace: The favour'd Bride Is with his Likeness satisfy'd.
- Jesus, enough, we're as thou art!
 With this great Truth we ne'er will part;
 Each Member here is as the Head,
 Each as its Lord is perfected.
- 8 But yet, as Crystals pure transmit
 Their Lustre whence they borrow it:
 From thee, O Christ, we all receive;
 To thee we all the Glory give.
- 9 What yet shall gloriously advance Our Joys, is thy Pre-eminence; 'Tis Heav'n to see thee wear the Crown, And prostrate at thy Feet fall down.

LX.

- Wherefore God hath highly exalted him, and given him a Name above every Name, Phil. ii. 9, 10, 11.
- JESUS, thou highest, loveliest Name Of all on Earth or Heav'n, The blest Reward of all thy Shame, By thy great Father giv'n.

- 2 Because thou didst thy Heavens bow, Thy People's ancient Suit; Cam'st down in Servant's Form, so low, As Loss of all Repute.
- 3 In Fashion as that fallen Race,
 Whose Offspring are but Grass,
 Thou took'st the meanest service Place
 In all their lowest Class:
- 4 Becam'st obedient unto Death,
 Nor could'st, nor would'st thou slee;
 But humbly didst resign thy Breath
 Upon the shameful Tree!
- 5 Therefore hath God exalted thee,
 And fet thee up on high;
 Where thou shalt prais'd and worshipp'd be
 To all Eternity.
- 6 Lo! ev'ry Knee to thee shall bow, Whether they stood or fell; In Heav'n above, or Earth below, And in eternal Hell.
- 7 All shall thy Grace or Fury prove;
 Thy Kingdom all shall own:
 Man shall be happy in thy Love;
 Let Satan dread thy Frown.

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- 8 Thus ev'ry Tongue, constrain'd by Grace, Or Power, shall confess The Lord, with a confused Face, Or, th' Lord their Righteousness.
- Herein the Father's glorify'd,
 That thou art Lord of all;
 Whilst Men and Angel's swelling Pride
 Before thy Feet shall fall.

LXI.

Precious in the Sight of the Lord is the Death of his Saints, Pf. cxvi. 15.

- OST precious, in our Saviour's Sight,
 Are all his Saints unnotic'd Death!
 He bears them to eternal Light,
 When they refign their mortal Breath.
- 2 Precious the Soul by him redeem'd;
 From threat'ning Evils snatch'd away,
 Precious their Dust, by him esteem'd,
 He'll raise it at the latter Day.
- 3 Free from this World's unnumber'd Cares, From Satan's Rage, and human Spite, From Sin's Distress, and gloomy Fears; How precious this in Jesu's Sight!

- 4 From all their Labours now they rest;
 Their weary Souls, with Joy and Peace,
 Leans on their faithful Abra'm's Breast,
 Where all the wicked Troublers cease.
- 5 All this, and more, our Brother proves;
 Now he the Son of Man can see;
 He sees, he feels, he joys, he loves,
 And all from Intermission free.
- 6 No more, as darkly thro' a Glass,
 His Eye-sight purg'd by Fesu's Blood,
 Now clearly sees Immanuel's Face,
 The bright, unclouded Face of God!
- 7 Whilst here below, he knew, in part,
 That deep, that boundless, heav'nly Theme;
 The Pow'r of Jesu's Blood and Smart,
 Completely cleansing us in him.
- '8 Feeling his Heart and Flesh decay,

 He languished beneath thine Hand,
 In patient Longings for the Day,

 When he should see Immanuel's Land.
 - 9 Now is the perfect Day his own;
 No darkning Vail remains between;
 He knows the Lord as he is known,
 And fees his Myst'ry as he's feen.

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LXII.

If Christ be not risen, then is our Preaching vain, and your Faith vain, 1 Cor. xv. 14. The Lord is risen indeed, Luke xxiv. 34.

- UR glorious Lord is ris'n indeed!
 Death, conquer'd, lost its Prize;
 The Grave furrender'd him with Speed,
 When he assay'd to rise.
- 2 In vain the Soldiers watch his Tomb, When heav'nly Forms appear; The Roman Eagle's overcome, The Soldiers die with Fear.
- 3 An Angel's Form before them stood; His Face like Lightning shone; Commission'd from the Father, God, To roll away the Stone.
- 4 Up rose the Saviour from the Dead!
 Down all Opposers fell:
 Satan in Chains of Triumph led,
 Trampling on Death and Hell.
- 5 To banish his Disciples Fears,
 He prov'd himself alive,
 By all his Wounds and bloody Scars;
 Then did their Hearts revive.

- 6 With them, will we our Lord adore;
 For them, and us he dy'd:
 He lives, he lives, and dies no more!
 Hence we are justify'd.
- 7 Nor is our Faith, nor Preaching, vain;
 Nor in our Sins are we;
 Since Christ, our Head, is ris'n again;
 And, rising, set us free.
- 8 Who shall condemn? lo! Jesus dy'd, Yea, rather lives for us;
 He with himself hath crucify'd
 Our Sins upon the Cross.
- 9 Hail, risen Saviour! thee we hail, Who, by Almighty Pow'r, Didst over Death and Hell prevail; We bless the glorious Hour.
- For-ever live and reign;
 'Till by thine own right Hand alone,
 Thy ev'ry Foe be flain.

LXIII.

For the Law was given by Moses; but Grace and Truth came by Jesus Christ, John i. 17.

OSES, he gave the fi'ry Law,
Which brought no Strength, nor
Pow'r to draw;
But the chief End for which it came,
Was to accuse, and to condemn;
That Man might die to all his boasted Good,
Despair of Life 'till brought to Jesu's Blood.

- 2 By Jesus, a diviner Name,
 Eternal Grace, in Justice, came;
 The Grace giv'n us in Christ, our Head,
 Ere Time commenc'd, or Worlds were made:
 In all th' Extent of Truth to be reveal'd,
 Jesus ador'd! and human Nature heal'd.
- 3 What Grace appear'd in Jesu's Birth,
 In all his humbled Life on Earth!
 What Grace in all his Torments great!
 His Wounds, his Death, and bloody Sweat:
 All witnessing his Love, the Love of God!
 Pardon, and Peace, to finful Man by Blood.
- 4 Grace! O how charming is the Sound!
 Of us, who fought him not, he's found:
 Unask'd, God did his Son reveal
 In us; nor did that Love conceal,

Which -

Which wrought for us, upon the bloody Tree, Salvation, everlasting, full, and free.

- 5 Fulness of Grace to Christ is giv'n;
 In him is all the Fund of Heav'n:
 For us each Talent he improves;
 He dy'd and lives, the Man he loves;
 He says, Whene'er our Emptiness we view,
 Sufficient is my Grace and Truth for you.
- 6 How rich the Grace that plans our Ways!
 And crowns with Bleffings all our Days!
 What tho', in this our Pilgrimage,.
 We feel both Man and Satan's Rage?
 All those Things work together for our Good;
 Such is the Grace that came by Jesu's Blood.
- 7 Lord Jesus Christ, we blest thy Name;
 By thee our great Salvation came:
 Thy Streams of Grace and Truth shall slow
 On us, this barren Desart, thro':
 Thro' this dark World, our Wants are well
 supply'd;
 Nor shall we fail, for Jesus is our Guide.

LXIV.

And a Man shall be as a Hiding-Place from the Wind, and a Covert from the Tempest; as Rivers of Waters in a dry Place; as the Shadow of a great Rock in a weary Land, Isa. xxxii. 2.

- How wonderful art thou!
 What heavenly Beauties in thee shine!
 What Mercies from thee flow!
- To make us truly blest;
 Thy Worshippers are all agreed,
 Thou art the Sinner's Rest.
- 3 When blows the stormy Wind, The Rage of Man or Hell, A Hiding-Place in thee we find, Shelter'd in Peace we dwell.
- 4 When Satan, Sin, and Law,
 Do fiercely all unite;
 Most fearfully on us to draw
 A dark, tempestuous Night.
- 5 When Thunders roar aloud
 Thro' the distemper'd Sky;
 Like Lightnings from the sulph'rous Cloud,
 When dreadful Curses sly.

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- 6 Defpairing, guilty Fears,
 In fiery Tempests roll,
 And when the fecond Death appears
 To fright the trembling Soul.
- 7 By Faith in thee, made bold,
 We smile when Tempests fall;
 Thou art the Man, promis'd of old,
 To cover us from all.

LXV.

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- This Land, with Drought accurs'd,
 Rivers of living Waters flow,
 In thee, to quench our Thirst.
- 2 This World's a weary Land;
 By Sin, a Defart made:
 'Tis all around a burning Strand;
 Has no refreshing Shade.
- But thou'rt our mighty Rock;
 Thy Shadow very great!
 Where all thy weary Pilgrim-Flock
 Find a divine Retreat.

- 4 Tho' once with Sin oppress'd,
 From which no Part was free;
 Our Grievances are now redress'd,
 Dear, glorious Man, in thee.
- 5 In thee we now have found
 What'er we lost, and more;
 We see thy Grace much more abound,
 Than Sin had done before.
- 6 Thy Praise be our Employ;
 Thy Glories ever shine:
 All our Salvation, Hope, and Joy,
 Art thou, O Man divine!

LXVI.

As the Apple-Tree is among the Trees of the Wood, fo is my beloved among the Sons, Cant. ii. 3.

Impartially we trace;
The Apple-Tree, as rare, and good,
First claims the highest Place:
Beauteous, and rare, it stands admir'd,
Amongst a thousand Trees;
Its Fragrance, Fruit, and Shade desir'd,
To quicken, feed, and please.

Is my Beloved seen

Amongst the Sons of royal Birth,

The Sons of God or Men;

Above them all he stands alone,

Pre-eminent and rare;

The Father's first begotten Son,

None may with him compare.

Is all Perfection feen;
Whilft Angels charg'd with Folly stand,
And Heav'n's declar'd unclean.
When blasted ev'ry Tree beside,
Still be affords a Shade;
A safe Asylum for his Bride,
Which Love eternal made.

4 His fragrant Name our Hearts shall cheer,
As Ointments poured forth;
More than the Names which Angels bear,
Or Men of highest Worth.
Unfav'ry all the Sons we prove,
Their Worth no more can see;
The Fragrance of eternal Love
Comes forth, dear Lamb, from thee.

5 Thy Fruits, thy Wisdom, Love, and Pow'r,
Are persect evermore;
Whilst all beside are green and sour,
Or rotten at the Core.

Live thou, of all the Sons admir'd,
As th' only just and Good;
As stands the Apple-Tree desir'd,
In the unfruitful Wood.

LXVII.

For the invisible Things of him from the Creation of the World are clearly seen, being understood by the Things that are made, even his eternal Power and Godhead, Rom. i. 20.

TERNAL Excellence!
Thy Worms would fain declare,
In the divinest Sense,
How thou art heav'nly fair:
O Prince, Messiah, thou art seen
The fairest of the Sons of Men.

- 2 Jesus, thy Beauties shine
 Bright, infinitely bright;
 Both Human and Divine,
 In thee, O Lamb, unite!
 Whate'er in Heav'n or Earth we see,
 As beautiful, are Types of thee.
- The Son, the Moon, the Stars,
 With all the Thrones above,
 Thine Excellence declares,
 Thy Beauty, Pow'r, and Love:
 All Worlds before thy Throne we see,
 A Sea of Glass reslecting thee.

4 Man in his first Estate,
Most wonderfully form'd,
With Beauty's Pow'rs replete,
With Holiness adorn'd,
From ev'ry Spot and Blemish free,
Was but a Figure, Lord, of thee.

Is to thy Blood divine,
Or, as their Altar-Flames,
Dear Jesus are to thine;
So Adam's Purity appears,
To thee no more Proportion bears.

6 Lo! here Self-Int'rest fails,

Man's Haughtiness sinks low;
Thy Beauty, Lord, prevails;
We at thy Footstool bow:
Thou know'st our Heart, we need no more,
Our Heav'n's to worship, love, adore.

LXVIII.

Who was delivered for our Offences, and was raifed again for our Justification, Rom. iv. 25.

I ESUS, thy Name we praise!
To thee our Songs we raise:
Hail! holy Lamb;
Thou hast redeem'd us,
Greatly esteem'd us,
Witness thy Sacrifice, Torment and Shame.

When we were lost in Sin,
Unholy and unclean,
Unmeet for God:
Wond'rous Redemption!
Glorious Exemption
Now, and for-ever, from Hell, by thy
Blood!

When thou didst Man become,
Our State thou didst assume,
Thou wast made Sin;
All our Uncleanness
Spirit'al Leanness,
Lust, Pride, and Enmity thou didst take in.

Thou wast made Man, with all
His Mis'ries by the Fall;
Faithful to God;
Greatly enduring
All the Out-pouring
Of infinite Punishment, fuff'ring to Blood.

5 Humbling thyfelf to Death,
Thou didst resign thy Breath,
Tortur'd with Pain:
God had declared
Man once ensnared
Surely should die the Death; this was Sin's
Gain.

- 6 Here was our Sin destroy'd;
 Our Enemies annoy'd,
 When Jesus dy'd
 Sighing, and groaning,
 Bleeding, atoning,
 Sin was condemned and slain in his Side.
- 7 When the third Morn was come,
 Then didst thou leave the Tomb;
 Ceas'd all thy Woes;
 Bravely victorious,
 Heavenly glorious,
 Openly triumphing over thy Foes.
- Lo! hence our Joys begin,
 We see thee, without Sin,
 Holy and bright;
 Justification,
 Persect Salvation,
 Thy Resurrection for Man brought to Light.
- Twas then the Father spake,
 His awful Silence brake,
 Thou art my Son,
 Holy for-ever,
 Worthy my Favour,
 Only begotten, come sit on my Throne.
- Our Songs shall never fail
 Whilst Grace doth shine:

Deep Adoration
Thy Congregation
Ever shall pay thee, thou Saviour divine.

LXIX.

Ye that desire to be under the Law, do ye not hear the Law? Gal. iv. 25.

Christ is the End of the Law for Righteousness to every one that believeth, Rom. x. 4.

- Attend and hear its dreadful Voice,
 The Voice of Words, on Sinai heard,
 That Voice which Isr'el greatly fear'd;
 So fear'd as humbly to implore
 That they might hear its Sound no more.
- 2 Lightnings, with horrid Glare were seen,
 Tremendous Thunders roar'd between;
 Darkness, with Flames encircled round:
 The Trump of God, its awful Sound,
 Louder, and louder rent the Air,
 And smote their Hearts with deep Despair.
- 3 The trembling Multitude, they heard All that the Voice of Words declar'd; The Darkness, Fire, and Smoke they saw, The dreadful Pomp of Moses' Law, Who, whilst the Mountains base did shake, Most terribly did fear and quake.

- 4 I am the Lord, thy God, fays he;
 Nor shalt thou worship ought but me:
 Nor to thyself shalt thou e'er make
 An Image, nor the Likeness take
 Of ought in Heav'n, or Earth below,
 With Rev'rence unto it to bow.
- 5 Thou shalt not take my Name in vain, Lest thou incur the guilty Stain: Remember keep the Sabbath-Day, Thou shalt not work, nor idly play: To Parents thou shalt Honour give, If in the Land thou long wouldst live.
- 6 Murder, never shalt thou do it:
 Nor vile Adultery commit:
 Thou shalt not steal: (my Statutes hear)
 Nor Witness falsely shalt thou bear:
 Thou shalt not covet, lusting in
 What is thy Neighbours; this is Sin.
- 7 Nor only keep from Sin thine Hands; A Word, Defire, or Look offends; A Moment's Lust, the smallest Flaw, So fully breaks my holy Law, Tho' it be but in Heart conceiv'd, As ne'er by thee can be retriev'd.
- 8 Holy and just are God's Commands; Wo to the Man who e'er offends In one small Point, he on him draws The Curse of all the broken Laws;

All join in one to damn the Wretch, Who's guilty of the smallest Breach.

- 9 In awful Truth hath God declar'd,
 The Sinner never can be fpar'd;
 On his own Head shall be his Blood,
 Who trespasses against his God:
 The Soul that sinneth, it shall die,
 Here and in Hell eternally.
- Their Sacrifices he'll have none;
 Nor will their Pray'rs nor Tears accept,
 Because his Laws they have not kept:
 Thus for their Sin, e'en for the first,
 They're irrevokably accurs'd.
- And what it speaks, it speaks to you
 Who to be under it desire,
 And eagerly thereby aspire
 To everlasting Life and Bliss,
 Thro' Works of your own Righteousness.
- Nor him that speaks from Heav'n refuse,
 Prepare to hear the Tidings good,
 Proclaim'd to Man by Jesu's Blood;
 Administred with Glory, more
 Than Sinai's Law which went before.
- Nor blasting Lightnings, causing Fear;

Nor Earthquake, Darkness, Smoak, nor Flame,
Nor dreadful Voice when Jesus came:
But all was glorious, calm, serene,
When God came down to dwell with Men.

- And fung on Earth with Tongues of Flame,
 Tidings of endless Joy to all
 The Sons of Adam great and small;
 How that bless'd Morn was born a Child,
 By whom the Law should be fulfill'd.
- And, as of all his Church, the Head;
 Perfect Obedience unto Blood,
 To yield the Law engag'd he stood;
 And all its Breaches to repair,
 By tasting Death, Hell, and Despair.
- Was holy, harmless, undefil'd!
 The Law he perfectly obey'd,
 In Action, Word, nor Thought, e'er stray'd;
 But in the Law was his Delight,
 By doing good both Day and Night.
- Nor could the Tempter him defile:
 One God he serv'd in Righteousness:
 Nor bow'd to Creature-Likenesses:

His Name in vain he never took: Nor holy Sabbath ever broke.

- Nor ceas'd, whilft he on Earth did live:
 Quite free from Murder and Debate,
 Nor did his Soul his Brother hate:
 His Nature loath'd adult'rous Fire,
 Nor ever felt a base Desire.
- Nor bearing Witness, falsely stand:
 No Evil of his Neighbour spake,
 Nor coveted with Lust to take
 Whatever was his Neighbour's Right,
 'Twas always hateful in his Sight.
- 20 But God, with all his Heart, he lov'd:
 This his whole Life and Practice prov'd:
 Next as himself, yea far above
 Himself he doth his Neighbour love.
 Does unto all Men what he would
 That they, in all their Doings, should.
- Atonement for the Sin that's past:

 He undertook the Breach to heal,
 Our Sin, our Curse, our Hell, to seel:
 The full Extent of Punishment,
 For all that's Sin, he underwent.

- Wounds, Blood, and Bruises him adorn;
 His Nerves all broken; gloomy Fears
 Rush on him; Blood, and Sweat, and Tears,
 Moist'ning the burning Sacrifice,
 Gratefully smoaking to the Skies.
- In dreadful Storms upon him fell:
 Nor may the finite Mind conceive;
 Nor dare the Infidel believe
 What unknown Torments Jesus felt;
 What Flames of Soul-devouring Guilt.
- 24 With unregarded Groans and Cries,
 Convultive Struggles, dying Sighs;
 In Character of Sinners lost,
 He fainting, yielded up the Ghost:
 Death took him Pris'ner, him detain'd,
 Whilst the least Charge of Sin remain'd.
- Tormented Soul, and broken Heart;
 The holy Law, more magnify'd
 Than if a thousand Worlds had dy'd:
 O Love! in him the glor'ous God,
 Redeems his Church with his own Blood.
- To all he is, and all that's done By him, we've an undoubted Right, There holy in the Father's Sight:

Mysterious

Mysterious Union! there is known His Person, Life, and Death our own.

- Old Sinai's Thunders; joyful hear
 The Voice of Love, the Love of God,
 The Voice of Jesu's richest Blood:
 Tho' thou, poor Soul, hast nought to give,
 The Blood of Jesus bids thee live.
- 28 Live; lo! he gives his All to thee:
 Live now from Condemnation free;
 Live, fince thou hast in Jesus dy'd;
 Live, Justice now is satisfy'd:
 For-ever live, he lives again;
 To all he is, urge still thy Claim.
- O Lamb, whoe'er in thee believes,
 The Witness of the Truth receives:
 How thou, our Christ, our Joy, our Bliss,
 Art the full End for Righteousness,
 Of ev'ry Law: (O glorious Grace!)
 To guilty Adam's Sinner Race.
- O'er all our Foes didst thou prevail;
 For-ever wear the glorious Wreath
 Of Vict'ry over Hell and Death:
 We see, with Joy divinely sweet,
 All conquer'd at thy bleeding Feet.

LXX.

Compos'd for the GENERAL FAST, in the Year 1757.

Can the Children of the Bride-Chambr fast, while the Bridegroom is with them? As long as they have the Bridegroom with them, they cannot fast: But the Days will come when the Bridegroom shall be taken away from them, and then shall they fast, Mark ii. 19, 20.

- Our dear prophetic Lord,
 Of what thou didst declare
 In thine unerring Word;
 The awful Signs, by thee foretold,
 Of thine Approach, we now behold.
- 2 Nations are in Distress,
 Striving, by Force and Fraud,
 Each other to oppress;
 Yet their own Ways applaud:
 In divers Places Earthquakes are,
 Mens Hearts are failing them for Fear.
- 3 The Gods of Earth, their Jars
 Occasions fierce Debate;
 Contests and bloody Wars
 Proclaim their mut'al Hate;

Whilst mutt'ring Rumour now declares, How all the World for War prepares.

- 4 Redeemer, thou wilt come,

 (Those Signs point out thy Way)
 To bring thy Children Home,

 We wait the glor'ous Day:

 'Till then we calmly rest in thee,

 From Dread of each ill-boding free.
- We praise thee, dearest Lord;
 Nor will we hopeless grieve;
 Instructed by thy Word,
 Rejoicing we believe,
 That all Things work, thro' Jesu's Blood,
 Now, and for-ever for our Good.
- Our dearest Bridegroom lives!

 And all our Need supplies;

 Himself our Food he gives,

 Eat, my Belov'd, he cries:

 His Love is our divine Repast!

 O! how then can his Children sast.
- 7 If thou art tak'n away,
 Lo! then thy Children fast:
 But if thou with us stay,
 We've a contin'al Feast:
 All other Food our Souls despise,
 But thee, our Lamb and Sacrifice.

8 We'll fast from all but thee;
Thy Flesh is Meat indeed;
To drink thy Blood we're free:
On this alone we feed!
Pleas'd with this Food, most holy Lamb,
We eat and drink, and bless thy Name.

LXXI.

What is thy Beloved more than another Beloved, O thou fairest among Women? Cant. v. 9.

- I D Aughters of Jerusalem,
 If you find my well-belov'd,
 Strongly represent my Flame;
 Tell him how my Heart is mov'd;
 Sick of Love, I, panting, lie:
 O! bid him haste, or else I die.
- What is this Belov'd of thine,
 O thou fairest among Women?
 What Perfections in him shine?
 Say why thou conclud'st there's no Man Beautiful and true as he?
 O! why this solemn Charge from thee.
- 3 My Belov'd is white as Snow,
 Ruddy as the new-blown Roses;
 Th' White his Deity doth show,
 Th' Red his human Form supposes;

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From each Spot and Blemish free, O chief among ten Thousand he!

- His Head is as the finest Gold,

 His bushy Locks black as a Raven;

 His Worth and Wisdom still untold

 In our Songs, here, or in Heav'n:

 Once with Thorns, crown'd now with Pow'r;

 O he's the Man whom I adore!
- 5 His Eyes are as the Eyes of Doves,
 Innocent, chaste, strong, and piercing,
 Darting on me richest Loves;
 His Heart's Language still rehearing;
 Their Omniscience guards my Ways;
 O how attracting are his Eyes!
- 6 His Cheeks are as the spicy Bed,
 Sweeter than the sweetest Flowers,
 Of a lovely crimson Red;
 Perfect Beauties, strongest Powers,
 Clust'ring in his Face are seen:
 O fairest of the Sons of Men!
- 7 His Lips, like Lilies, kindly give
 Words as Myrrh, most sweetly smelling;
 Words, whereon his Children live,
 Angel's Harmony excelling;
 When Love's Silence first he brake,
 O Heav'n was in the Word he spake!
- 8 His Legs, as Marble Pillars, stand On fine Gold, of long Duration,

Shews

Shews his Strength and high Command:
Man in God, the fure Foundation;
Bears eternal Government;
O in his Love is true Content!

- 9 His Count'nance more glorious is
 Than Lebanon's tallest Cedar;
 Majestic more than all its Trees,
 'Mongst all Beauties he's the Leader;
 The Creation is too low,
 O my Belov'd, thy Worth to show!
- Sweetest Heav'n is in his Kisses;
 Always speaking Words of Truth,
 Promising ten thousand Blisses;
 I, his gracious Words believe:
 O he ne'er will nor can deceive!
- Sweet, and lovely all together;
 All Relations in him are,
 Bridegroom, Brother, Husband, Father,
 Wonderful this Man divine!
 Q all Perfections in him shine!
- This my Friend, and well-belov'd;
 Could you but his Glory fee,
 Soon my Choice would be approv'd;
 Won, like me, by conq'ring Love,
 O ye my Flame would quickly prove.

LXXII.

One Thing have I desired of the Lord, that will I feek also, that I may dwell in the House of the Lord all the Days of my Life, to behold the Beauty of the Lord, and to inquire in his Temple, Ps. xxvii. 4.

- Arious the Objects Man defires,
 Whilst he to Happiness aspires;
 Each longing Sense, would be possest
 Of what most suits his childish Taste;
 There seeking lasting Peace, and solid Joy,
 And heav'nly Sweets, which ne'er will fade
 nor cloy.
- 2 Of thee, my fov'reign Lord and King,
 My longing Soul defires one Thing:
 I in thine House would ever dwell,
 Thy Goodness, O my God, to tell;
 There to behold, with Joy, thy beauteous
 Face,
 Inquiring at thy Oracles of Grace.
- This have I long desir'd of thee,
 Thy Beauties in thine House to see;
 One Day, my God, is better there,
 Than are a thousand Days elsewhere:
 For, O! thy holy Temple is the Place
 Where thou unveil'st thy Beauty and thy Grace.

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- 4 Thy Body, Lamb, once bath'd in Blood,
 That Temple is, that House of God;
 Where all the Church, in Mystery,
 As living Stones are built in thee;
 To which, by Faith, we all repair, and tell
 How God is pleas'd in it, in us to dwell.
- Thy Ministers, as Flames of Fire,
 Attending with intense Desire;
 Thy Servants round thy Table set,
 Spread with divine, with heav'nly Meat:
 Apparel'd in the Spirit, and the Word,
 Here dwell for-ever in thy Temple, Lord.
- 6 Brighter than all, O Morning-Star!
 Thou shin'st with Rays resplendent here;
 Brighter than Solomon of old
 E'er shone in Wisdom, Pow'r, or Gold:
 Extasy'd more thy Saints than Sheba's Queen,
 When those the Beauties of thine House are seen.

LXXIII.

Compos'd for the GENERAL FAST, in the Year 1758.

From Ifa. v. 8.

I CRY aloud, is the Command;
Spare not, be bold and free;
Trumpet thro' a guilty Land,
How they have err'd from me;

'Till their Sinfulness of Heart,
And Practice, is to them declar'd;
Jesus only can avert
The Judgments that's prepar'd.

Yet they daily feek my Face,
With much profes'd Delight;
As a Nation rich in Grace,
And righteous in his Sight;
Truth and Justice they would have,
Seem pleas'd in their Approach to God;
Jesus only can us save,
By his own precious Blood.

Wherefore do we fast, say they,
Yet thou dost not regard?
Wherefore sanctify a Day,
And yet thou hast not heard?
'Cause herein you Pleasure sind,
As such who merit suture Bliss:

Jesus only was design'd
To be our Righteousness.

With wicked Fist to smite;
With wicked Fist to smite;
Still retaining Strife and Hate,
Nor cease from cruel Spite:
Ye shall not fast, on this Day,
To make your Voice be heard on high:

Jesus only is the Way,
If you'll to God draw nigh.

Or ever this allow'd
That your Troubles me appease,
Tho' like a Bull-rush bow'd?
Yet wilt thou call this a Fast,
A Day accepted of your God?
Jesus is our First and Last,
The Sum of all our Good.

LXXIV.

The Same.

- The Burdens to undo;
 The Bands of Wickedness to loose,
 And let the Pris'ner go:
 Let such who are opprest be freed,
 Break ev'ry Yoke in twain,
 Gladly supply the Brethren's Need,
 And thus allay their Pain:
- 2 To hungry Souls to deal thy Bread,
 Nor thrust them from thy Door,
 But in thine House a Table spread,
 For all the cast-out Poor:
 To all the Naked Cov'ring give,
 Their drooping Hearts refresh;
 Nor hide thyself, whilst thou dost live,
 From those who're thine own Flesh.

We stand convicted deep,
That we ourselves, before the Lord,
This Fast can never keep:
But up we look unto our Head,
Jesus the Fast hath kept;
And us in him, thro' all he did,
The Father doth accept.

4 He kept the Fast, which God did choose;
Our Burdens did undo;
Our Bands of Wickedness did loose,
And let us Pris'ners go:
From Sin's Oppression us he freed,
Brake ev'ry Yoke in twain,
Gladly supply'd his Brethren's Need,
And sav'd us from Hell's Pain.

Nor thrusts us from his Door;
But to his House, and Table spread,
He brings us cast-out Poor:
Cloath'd with the Labours of his Cross,
He did our Hearts refresh;
Nor did he hide himself from us,
But calls us his own Flesh.

6 Hail, Alpha and Omega, hail!
All hail, thou first and last!
O'er all our Foes we shall prevail,
For thou hast kept the Fast:

Complete in thee, our dearest Lord,

Thy Works as ours are known:

We now, encourag'd by thy Word,

Conclude thy Fast's our own.

LXXV.

An Imitation of a French Sonnet.

For in thy Sight shall no Man living be justified, Ps. cxliii. 2.

But the Scripture hath concluded all under Sin, that the Promise, by Faith, of Jesus Christ, might be given to them that believe, Gal. iii. 22.

- REAT God! thy Judgments, all are fill'd
 With Equity and Mercy mild;
 Great Pleafure dost thou take
 To be propitious unto Man,
 To pardon where thy Mercies can,
 And for thy own Name's fake.
- 2 But I have fo much Evil done,
 That if thou judge me as I've run
 The Paths of Vice; I'm fure
 Thy Goodness cannot pardon me,
 Without apparent Injury
 Done to thy Justice pure.
- 3 Indeed, my God, if thou should'st try
 My Greatness of Impiety,
 It leaves nought in thy Pow'r,

But my Damnation foon to choose, On me to let thy Terrors loose, On me thy Wrath to show'r.

- A Thine Int'rest, Lord, opposes me;
 Nor Happiness will let me see,
 Because thou holy art:
 Thy Clemency, itself, waits now
 For my Destruction, waits, whilst thou
 With Hell transfix my Heart.
- 5 Since, for thy Glory, I must die,
 On me, my God, then satisfy
 Thy holy, just Desire:
 At these my Tears, which plent'ous flow,
 Be thou offended highly now,
 And blast me with thy Fire.
- 6 Thunder and Fury on me fall;
 'Tis just, as War for War doth call:
 When perishing, I'll say,
 There's nought unjust hath taken Place;
 Tho' from the Footstool of thy Grace
 Thou spurnedst me away.
- 7 But, Lord, hear what I have to plead,
 Beside my late Confession made
 Of Evil I have done;
 What Part of me now wilt thou wound?
 Where am I penetrable found,
 Not armed with thy Son?

8 The Blood of Jesus covers all!
O! where then can thy Fury fall?
Sure not upon my Heart?
Then let thy flaming Eyes, my God,
Find what's not cover'd with his Blood,
And fur'ous smite that Part.

LXXVI.

Ye are God's Building, 1 Cor. iii. 9.

Builded together for an Habitation of God, through
the Spirit, Eph. ii. 22.

- The are God's Building, (is the Word)
 Rais'd for the Glory of the Lord,
 Where he delights to dwell:
 In Jefus, rais'd by his own Hand,
 This Building ever shall withstand
 The hostile Gates of Hell.
- 2 As skilful Builders always care
 Proper Materials to prepare,
 Needful for Strength and Grace;
 So did he choose us in our Head,
 Ere Time commenc'd, or Worlds were made,
 To build his Dwelling-Place.
- 3 Such no untemper'd Mortar use, But justly will the same resuse For what's more excellent;

All human Daubings God despis'd; When he his noble Building rais'd, Christ was the strong Cement.

4 Would you the stately Pile survey,
Its Beauty, Strength and Harmony?
Then Christ Immanuel see!
Where all Persections in him meet,
There is the Building seen complete,
The Sum of all is He.

LXXVII.

The fame.

- HE Builder, whom true Wisdom sways,
 First, the Foundation deeply lays;
 Prepar'd against each Shock:
 Our Builder, sure of his own Plan,
 Founded us deeply in the Man,
 On God, th' eternal Rock.
- 2 Christ is that precious Corner-Stone,
 Which all his Church is built upon;
 Nor can it ever fall:
 The Prophets, and Apostles too,
 Other Foundation never knew
 Than Jesus, Lord of all.
- 3 Christ, in this Building is the Door; And always open to the Poor, Who would approach their God:

Nor, tho' they're naked, need they fear; For Christ is yea; boldly draw near, And plead redeeming Blood.

- 4 As Windows, rang'd, admit the Light
 To chase the Horrors of the Night,
 Enlightning every Part:
 So, in our Saviour's lovely Face,
 The Godhead shines in Love and Grace,
 To cheer the human Heart.
- The Stone the Builders did refuse,
 Which human Wisdom ne'er will choose,
 Is here the Head-stone seen:
 Brought forth with Joy to make all fast;
 Christ is the first Stone and the last;
 The Church is safe between.
- 6 The spacious Roof, extended wide,
 Lock'd in secure on ev'ry Side,
 Braves all the Storms that fall:
 Christ is that Cov'ring, suited well,
 To shelter Man from Storms of Hell;
 O Christ! thou art our All.

LXXVIII.

The same.

What wifest Architects have made)
Mould'ring to whence it came;

God's

God's Building ever shall endure, In all Things order'd well and sure, Christ always is the same.

- When we the infide Work furvey,
 What Grandeur does the whole display!
 How glorious ev'ry Part!
 Earth's Beauties all are far too mean
 To point out what's in Jesus seen,
 When he attracts the Heart.
- 3 Foundation, Christ, and Head-stone too,
 The Alpha and Omega thou,
 Of this, the House of God:
 A lively Stone, on thee I'm built,
 And wash'd from all my dreadful Guilt,
 In thine atoning Blood.

LXXIX.

After Preaching.

The Tidings how profound!

Which our Ears and Hearts have bleft;

This indeed's the joyful Sound:

Here our weary Souls find Reft;

O how rich, how good!

Jesus, thou the Subject art;

Thy deep Mystery and Blood,

With all other Sounds we'll part.

LXXX.

The Same.

And, hearing, have believ'd;
What the Gospel hath declar'd,
We, Sinners, have receiv'd:
Blasted lies the Creature's Pride,
And human Haughtiness sinks low;
Jesus, and him crucify'd,
Is all the Bliss we know.

LXXXI.

The same.

Thy Mystery, O Christ, how great!
Thy Beauties, how divine!
Thy Wounds, thy Death, thy bloody Sweat,
With endless Radiance shine:
With wond'ring Hearts, we now have seen,
In thy transparent Blood,
The friendly, smiling, lov'd, serene,
Unclouded Face of God!

LXXXII.

The Same.

- As Doves unto their Windows fly
 We speed for Life and Peace:
 His Blood, how pow'rfully it draws!
 Now it hath quite remov'd the Cause
 Of Sorrow and Distress.
- As Members to their Head must join,
 And Branches grow in their own Vine,
 So are we in the Lamb:
 Ours all his Beauty, Life, and Fruit,
 On him we grow, our Head and Root,
 And hail the sacred Name.

LXXXIII.

The Same.

C HRIST, our Head's gone up on High,
And we his Body are;
All our Sorrows we'll lay by,
And each distracting Care:
Tho' we Satan's Darts may feel;
Yet he can never strike us dead:
He may bruise us on the Heel,
But cannot reach our Head.

LXXXIV.

The same.

Lor'ous Jesus! glor'ous Jesus!

Thy dear Name to praise;

This shall please us, this shall please us,

Greatly all our Days:

O thy Beauties, how divine!

How they in the Gospel shine!

Holy Saviour, live for-ever,

All our Songs be thine.

LXXXV.

On observing the Motion of a Watch.

I M E flies,
Man dies,
Eternity's at Hand:
What's best!
My Rest
Is in Immanuel's Land.

LXXXVI.

The Testimony of a Christian; found after his Departure; written, during his Illness, with a Pencil, on the Wall.

RUE conscious Honour is to feel no Sin;
He's arm'd without who's innocent within:
If any ask me, how I prove this Bliss?
Christ is my Purity, my Wedding-Dress.

LXXXVII.

After Preaching.

The Word of the Lord!
Where Witness abounds,
That Man is restor'd
To God, his Possession,
Dear Jesus in thee;
From Sin and Transgression
For-ever set free.

2 How glor'ous the Name
Of Jesus, our King!
Thou crucify'd Lamb,
Thine Honours we fing:
Our Hope and Salvation
To World without End;
Our nearest Relation,
And faithfullest Friend.

LXXXVIII.

The same.

- To all who know the joyful Sound;
 Thy Countenance, O Lord, shall shine
 On them with Brightness all divine.
- 2 The Grievances which them oppress'd, In Jesus now they see redress'd: This Mercy we thy Worms now prove, And bless thy Grace, thou God of Love.
- 3 Infinite Wisdom, all our Days
 Will we admire thy pleasant Ways:
 Thy Paths are Peace, we'll run and bless
 The Lord our Life and Righteousness.

LXXXIX.

The same.

- Tho' I were perfect yet would I not know my Soul,
 I would despise my Life, Job ix. 21.
- OULD I of all Perfection boast,

 As pure as that which Adam lost,

 I'd facrifice it to thy Blood,

 My Christ, my All, my only Good.

- 2 Were I as Abra'm, strong in Faith, And boldly stedfast unto Death; I'd bid my Faithfulness adieu, And Jesus only faithful view.
- 3 If I more meek than Moses were, Quite free from Anger, Strife, or Fear; Yet this I gladly would despise, And Jesu's Meekness only prize.
- 4 Was I as Job submissive, still Patient, resign'd in ev'ry Ill;
 Yet all should fade before his Cross,
 Compar'd with Him, it is but Dross.
- 5 If I was wife as Solomon,
 Like him with Zeal and Adour shone;
 Like him I'd vain and foolish see
 My Wisdom, Zeal, yea all but Thee.
- 6 Had I an Angel's Purity;
 Yea even this I would deny;
 Nor Good confess in Name or Thing,
 But Christ my Lord, my Life, my King.

XC.

The Same.

His Mystery adore;
Thee we praise, our bleeding King,
Thy Wisdom, Love, and Pow'r:
Thou hast wrought our Works for us;
In us thou dy'dst and liv'st again;
By the Labour of thy Cross,
We endless Life obtain.

2 Live! thou mighty Prince of Life;
Great King of Glory, reign!
Him to praise be all our Strife,
Who for our Sins was stain.
With himself, from Sin and Shame,
Blameless to God he did us raise:
Worthy is the holy Lamb
Of everlasting Praise.

XCI.

The Same.

CLORY be to God on High; Glory to the bleeding Lamb; Sing we Praises mightily, To Immanuel's worthy Name: He is God with us;
In him we're espous'd to God;
In him we are purg'd, by Blood,
From our Filth, our Sin and Dross.

XCII.

The same.

- O W pow'rful is the glor'ous Word!
 The unctious Word of God,
 Which preaches Jesus Christ our Lord,
 His Suff'rings, Death and Blood.
- Who did our Souls redeem;
 Explains the facred Unity,
 And shouts us fav'd in him.
- 3 It shews us ev'ry Law Command, Dear Lamb, fulfill'd in thee; And bids us fast, and fearless stand, Where thou hast made us free.
- Dear, glorious Lamb, we thee adore;
 We praife thee for thy Word:
 But for thyfelf we praife thee more,
 O! holy, holy Lord.

XCIII.

The same.

- The Ears are bless'd that hear The Trumpet of the Jubilee,
 The great sabbatic Year.
- We plough, nor fow no more,
 Nor toil for living Bread;
 For we've a never failing Store,
 A Table plent'ous spread.
- The Servant now is free;
 The hateful, heavy Yoke
 (That all might taste true Liberty)
 From ev'ry Neck is broke.
- 4 Th' Inheritance once fold,
 Which the poor Bankrupt mourns,
 To the true Owner without Gold,
 Or Price, it now returns.
- 5 O Jesus! ever blest,
 Thou art our Jubilee;
 Our Restoration, and our Rest,
 Is all, dear Lamb, in thee.
- 6 Thy Name, O bleeding King, Shall dwell on all our Tongues;

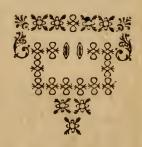
- And ev'ry Heart, inspir'd, shall sing Thy Praise in all their Songs.
- 7 Worthy the honour'd Name Of Jesus Christ, our Lord; He's God Almighty, and the Lamb, Eternally ador'd.

XCIV.

Solemn Praise.

- I SING the Triumphs of your conqu'ring Head, and crucified King;
 His Atchievments, when he vanquish'd All our Enemies, we'll fing:
 Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah,
 Glory, Glory, Lord, be thine.
- 2 Long he struggled with confused
 Noise, and Garments roll'd in Blood,
 'Till destroying Sin, and Hell, and
 Death, he rescu'd Man to God:
 Hallelujah, &c.
- 3 Most triumphant, greatly glor'ous,
 He from Death and Hell arose;
 In him all his Church, victor'ous,
 Triumph'd o'er her dreadful Foes:
 Hallelujah, &c.

- 4 High afcending 'midst angelic Songs, and Sounds of Trumpets loud, In eternal Triumph leading All the Captives of his Blood: Hallelujah, &c.
- 5 Far above the highest Heaven
 Thus he gloriously ascends,
 Where the Honour's to him given,
 Ev'ry Thought of Man transcends:
 Hallelujah, &c.
- 6 There, exalted, live and reign, whilst We admire thy Wounds and Blood, 'Till we see thee come again, in All the Pomp and Pow'r of God: Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Glory, Glory, Lord, be thine.



PART II.

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HYMNS, &c.

I.

- Y Song shall be of him who dy'd Upon the Mount of Calvary;
 His Name, his Blood, and Nought beside Shall be my Theme eternally.
- 2 I view him in his infant Form,
 Poor, helpless, in a Manger laid;
 To rescue me, a worthless Worm,
 Th' eternal Word my Flesh was made.
- 3 At eight Days old the Saviour bled;
 To purge our Filth his Blood was spilt;
 Thus all the Members, in the Head,
 Were purg'd from their parental Guilt.
- A Man of Sorrows was my Lord,
 Tempted like me in ev'ry Point;
 That he true Succour might afford
 To tempted Souls, who else would faint.

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- 5 Despis'd and friendless was the Lamb,
 Abased to a low Degree,
 Refus'd by all with Scorn and Shame,
 That he our faithful Friend might be.
- 6 Mark how he loves his Blood-bought Friends!
 When in his greatest Agony
 He pleads for them, he them defends,
 They're as the Apple of his Eye.
- 7 For when the Multitude came on To drag him to the cursed Tree; Whom seek ye? (says the holy One) If me you seek, the Children free.
- 8 When thus accepted, in our Stead,
 Justice the Sinner did release;
 And for the Members smote the Head,
 Chastis'd him for our Breach of Peace.

II.

- Lamb, my Lord, my God, my King, I could for-ever speak of thee!

 Thy Suff'rings, and thy Conquests sing,

 O! the dear Lamb, who dy'd for me.
- What Suff'rings didst not thou sustain!
 From hellish Chains my Soul to free;
 What Horrors, Grief, and unknown Pain!
 O! the dear Lamb, who selt for me.

- 3 At Supper with thy Family,
 Strange, hellish Pains caught hold on thee;
 Then the important Hour drew nigh,
 That my dear Lamb should die for me.
- 4 When to the Garden he withdrew,
 How fore amaz'd and griev'd was he,
 Beyond what Mortals ever knew;
 O! that dear Lamb, who griev'd for me.
- 5 Prostrate himself he humbly lays;
 Great ruddy Drops of Sweat I see
 Fall from him, whilst he weeps and prays;
 O! that dear Lamb, who pray'd for me.
- Yea, on thy Cheek, O Christ, smote thee The Judge of Isr'el, with a Rod;
 O! that dear Lamb, thus smote for me.
- 7 Reviled, scourg'd, spit on, abus'd,
 Condemn'd to the accursed Tree,
 Of all that's vile and base accus'd;
 O! that dear Lamb, accus'd for me.
- 8 The Cross they on his Shoulders lay;
 To bear the same the Lamb was free,
 Until, oppress'd, he faints away;
 O! the dear Lamb, who faints for me.
- 9 They nail'd him to the fatal Wood; His pierced Hands and Feet I see;

From ev'ry Wound fresh Streams of Blood; O! the dear Lamb, who bled for me.

- Naked in Blood, that all might fee;
 Whilst Angels gaze, and bow, and blush;
 O! that dear Lamb, accurs'd for me.
- Then dy'd to fet his Children free;
 Salvation's finish'd, cries his Blood;
 O! that dear Lamb, who dy'd for me.
- 12 Down thro' the Shades of Death he goes
 His Enemies all conquer'd flee;
 Triumphant over all his Foes;
 O! that dear Lamb, did all for me.
- 13 With Warriors Scars, deep Wounds and Blood,
 Rais'd from the Dead again I fee
 My everlasting Lord and God,
 That dearest Lamb, who dy'd for me.
- 14 O! worthy Lamb, I'll thee adore,

 Let Adam's Offspring all agree

 To praife the Lamb who dies no more,

 But lives to bless both them and me.

III.

- DEAR Shepherd, fee thy Flock here met, Before thy pierced Feet to bow; To praife thy Wounds, thy Blood and Sweat, Thro' which eternal Love did flow.
- 2 Thou art with us where e'er we meet;
 Nor wilt thou leave us, holy Lamb:
 We find a Calm, a blefs'd Retreat
 Beneath the Cov'ring of thy Name.
- 3 Great Mercies thou to us hast shewn, Since first we knew that we were thine; Since first thou mark'd us for thy own, With Grace and Righteousness divine.
- 4 Seal'd for thine own we furely are; Thy Spirit, Lord, our Witness is: Nor can we fall from Jesus far, For he is Love and Tenderness.
- 5 There's none can pluck us from his Hand, Inclos'd by Grace on ev'ry Side; His Oath, his Promise firmly stand, We ever shall with him abide!
- 6 He never will himself deny;
 Nor could he die for Man in vain:
 How then shall God in Wrath destroy,
 The Souls for whom the Lamb was slain.

7 The countless Price he paid for us, Exempts us from the Iron Rod: His Life, his Death, his Blood and Cross, Hath reconcil'd us all to God.

IV.

- Thou, dear Sov'reign of my Breast,
 In thy dear Myst'ry I am blest
 With Peace and Joy profound.
 Now, sav'd from Sin and Hell, am I
 In my dear Lamb's Humanity,
 Where all my Joys abound.
- 2 Here will I hide from ev'ry Foe,
 And thank thee, O my Saviour, too,
 That I should favour'd be
 To hide me in thy wounded Side;
 And, what's yet more, to be thy Bride,
 And truly one with thee.
- 3 Here would I live, for-ever live
 In thee, my Lamb, and still receive
 Thy Blessings ever new:
 I'd turn my Eyes from all to thee,
 Whilst underneath the bloody Tree,
 My Heart with Love o'erslow.
- 4 I long to prove the Depth profound, The Glory of each bleeding Wound;

Not one was made in vain:
Nor is there any Discord there,
Or cause of Sorrow, Pain or Fear;
There, there my Soul remain.

V.

- Y Saviour for me bled
 Upon the Cross's Wood;
 For me, the Sinner me, he shed
 His rich, atoning Blood.
- 2 For my Offences great
 He dy'd a curfed Death;
 And wrought Salvation out complete
 To be enjoy'd by Faith.
- 3 The Wine-press he did tread, And, thro' his bleeding Side, His Spirit, in Abundance, shed On his beloved Bride.
- 4 Now, by his Grace, I know
 That I am one of them,
 For whom the Saviour dy'd below
 Upon the Cross's Stem.

VI.

- I N mine own Flesh I see
 My dear Redeemer, God:
 And in that Body he
 Redeem'd me by his Blood:
 Made one, no more to part again,
 In him I ever shall remain.
- 2 Bone of his Bone I am,
 And evermore shall be;
 One great Immortal Name
 Is nam'd on him and me:
 In him, complete, I now possess
 The Fulness of redeeming Grace.
- 3 When from his pierced Side
 Came forth, in bleeding Love,
 His lov'd, his royal Bride,
 The Life divine to prove;
 To her this facred Truth he feal'd,
 That all her Maladies were heal'd.
- 4 What tho' I mortal am,
 And shall to Dust return:
 In the prevailing Lamb
 I unto God am born:
 In him I live above all Fear,
 Nor Sin, nor Death, can reach me there.

VII.

- I ET us our Hearts and Voices raise,
 To sound the mighty Saviour's Praise,
 And sing he dy'd, and lives again
 For us, the fallen Sons of Men.
- 2 He bare our Curse, our Debt he paid, When all our Woes on him were laid; Our Midnight Darkness chas'd away, And rais'd us to eternal Day.
- 3 'Tis finish'd, faith the dying God, For Man, cries all his Wounds and Blood: Salvation finish'd was for us, In Jesus, bleeding on the Cross.
- 4 He, fainting, felt Death's rude Divorce, To put his Testament in force; Wherein to Man he did bequeath The Labours of his Life and Death.
- 5 Quickly he breaks Death's feeble Chain, And to his Throne afcends again; There fits adorn'd with Wounds and Blood, And calls the Wand'rers Home to God.
- 6 Let all the Sons of Sion sing Unwearied Praise to Christ their King, He is our Saviour, God, and we Will sound his Name eternally.

VIII.

LL over lovely is my Lord and God,
When nail'd on Calv'ry to a Cross of
Wood;

My Praise attends his Blood, his Name I'll bless, He is my Wisdom, Strength and Righteousness.

2 Deep Floods of everlasting Wrath and Grace, Strove which should deluge Man in Jusu's Face, Whilst bleeding Love, hung pleading on his Brow For Peace, and Pardon, to the Church below.

3 The Floods of Grace, now with tremendous Swell,

Drowns all our Sin, and Curfe, and Fear of Hell, Whilst from our bleeding God we still derive Our Peace, and in his Wounds we'll ever live.

4 On us distils his Merits, Blood and Grace; His wounded Form we'll yet by Faith embrace; It's here! We positively cry, my God And tremblingly with Joy we praise his Blood.

5 We in his Body our Election see, He with himself hath made us Children free; Our elder Brother, (O the friendly Name!) Is God Almighty, yet the slaughter'd Lamb.

6 Praise, endless Praise to thee, O Christ, be giv'n; Praise, endless Praise to thee, thou King of Heav'n:

Ere long thy Praise shall be our whole Employ, When thou, O Lamb, shall perfect all our Joy.

IX.

- The Gift of God is free;
 'Tis Jefu's Pray'r, his Groans, and Cries,
 That shall accepted be.
- 2 'Tis in the Lamb's Abasement low,
 We are receiv'd of God:
 Lo! nothing is there Good, we know,
 But Jesus, and his Blood.
- 3 'Tis thro' his Death, and Off'ring up On the accurfed Wood, That we are privileg'd to fup With him, our Lord and God.
- 4 'Tis thro' his Resurrection-Pow'r We live the Life of Faith:
 In his dear Body we are more
 Than Conqu'rors over Death.
- 5 When he ascended up on high, Lo! we ascended then; He captive led Captivity, Receiving Gifts for Men.
- 6 Yea, for rebellious Men he su'd, That God with them might dwell;

And when his wounded Form he shew'd, The Spirit on them fell.

7 All Praise to him, our God, our Friend,
 Who sinish'd all for us;
 We bless the Love, which hath no End,
 Revealed on the Cross.

X.

Wonders rife
In my poor Heart? I view a Sacrifice!
What is the Off'ring, fay—what can it be?
Is it the God of Ages? yes, 'tis he!

2 With Wonder gaze I, and with deepest Shame, Upon the dying God, the bleeding Lamb! Stand in amaze with me, Heav'n, Earth and Skies,

I, who was loft, am found by Sacrifice!

3 This Sacrifice sufficient is for all Who feel their Curse and Bondage in the Fall; This Sacrifice, approv'd complete and good, Atones thro' Smart, and purifies by Blood.

4 Christ is the Sacrifice, that flaughter'd Lamb, 'Thro' whose Blood-shedding I accepted am: He offer'd up himself in Blood for me, That I from Condemnation might be free.

5 Adieu to all beside my Lord and God, Thus crucify'd upon a Cross of Wood; In Heav'n, and Earth, I stand oblig'd to none But him, who did for all my Sins atone.

6 O! Jesus, I adore thy lovely Name; Thy Wounds have purg'd me from all Sin and Shame;

Thou hast allur'd and drawn my Soul to thee, Where I, in Life, and Death, shall happy be.

XI.

- 'Twas in his deep Humility,
 His Garments roll'd in his own Blood;
 With Eyes of Love he look'd on me.
- 2 Lo! then my fainting Heart reviv'd, When I beheld the Saviour smile; 'Twas then in Jesus I believ'd, And felt the Glory of his Toil.
- 3 I nothing had, when my dear Lamb
 Did shew me all my Sins forgiv'n;
 I nothing had but Filth and Shame,
 When first I saw my Name in Heav'n.
- 4 Love, bleeding Love, first found out me,
 And led me by a Way unsought;
 Love drew me to the bloody Tree,
 And pointed out my Pardon bought;

- 5 Bought with the Saviour's Pains and Blood:
 Amazing Love! what Tongue can tell
 The Glory which I faw in God,
 When at his Foot-stool first I fell?
- 6 Nor Angels may declare the Bliss
 My Soul receiv'd, when first I found,
 In Christ, my Strength, and Righteousness,
 Exhibited thro' ev'ry Wound.
- 7 His Promise is, He will remain
 My dear, my everlasting Friend;
 He seal'd me this by unknown Pain;
 Loves, and will love me to the End.
- 8 Then praise, my Soul, thy bleeding King,
 Who gives thee all his Heart to prove;
 His matchless Grace for-ever sing,
 The Wonders of redeeming Love.

XII.

Days,

My Heart's fincere Language shall shew forth thy

Praise:

I now can behold the Smiles of thy Face, Thy Glory, dear Saviour, the Fountain of Grace: I'll tell the World of thee, of thy shedding Blood, That wonderful Myst'ry and Glory of God. 2 'Tis Jesus, Jehovah, the wounded I A M, Who dy'd on Golgotha, the facrific'd Lamb; His Beauties I see, thro' each weeping Wound; His Body all bleeding where true Joys abound: He dy'd, but lives ever, and reigns over all; He is my dear Saviour, his Name I extol.

3 He is a true Lover, whose Grace never ends; My Soul bow and wonder, and view his pierc'd Hands!

Remember his Love, his Death, and his Smart, And all his Wounds number, the Life of my Heart:

He is my dear Portion! what can I want more? Freed from Condemnation, I bow and adore.

4 Who can but admire so faithful a Friend,
Unchangeable Lover, who loves to the End?
Ere long I shall be amidst the lov'd Throng;
There, loud as the Thunders, I'll sing the new
Song:

Still gazing, admiring, and finging most sweet, And also embracing his pierc'd Hands and Feet.

XIII.

How Jesus conquer'd Death and Hell,
When on the Cross he dy'd:
His Spoil we are he'll not deny,
But own us to Eternity
As his lov'd, chosen Bride.

- 2 His Mystery, his Death and Blood, Hath reconcil'd us all to God; His Glory hides our Shame: Whilst Christ is God's beloved Son, We live with him for-ever one, In Sonship, Grace and Name.
- 3 That he might equitably bleed
 He took upon him Abra'm's Seed,
 Then to the Altar went;
 Whilst in this Lamb to slaughter led,
 The Sinner bare on his own Head
 His Sin and Punishment.
- A Nor will he us in Trials leave,
 But still is with us strong to fave,
 Whilst we on Earth remain:
 In him our Life, our all is found;
 Than Sin, his Grace did more abound,
 Reveal'd when he was stain.
- 5 How rich the Love, dear God, that we Should be belov'd, belov'd by thee,
 And fav'd from all our Shame:
 With Joy we'll praife thee till we die,
 And after Death eternally
 Adore thy balmy Name.

XIV.

- Is mine, I want no more;
 In his Wounds I'm deep inlaid;
 My Name there standeth sure;
 I am his, and he is mine;
 My Root is in the promis'd Land;
 I'm a Branch of the true Vine,
 The Plant of God's Right-Hand.
- 2 In the Lamb my fallow Ground Was plough'd with painful Toil, That which did with Thorns abound Is now a nobler Soil:
 Christ's the Soil that's rich and good; In him the lov'd Plantation grows; Water'd by his heav'nly Blood, Its Merit always flows.
- 3 Growing in, and twisted round
 My Christ, the bleeding Vine;
 On him all my Fruit is found,
 Nor shall we e'er untwine:
 Here true Happiness I prove,
 'Tis here I've found a constant Friend,
 In the glorious Man of Love,
 Who loves me to the End.

XV.

- I For me, a Worm, hath dy'd;
 For me he shed his living Blood;
 I know no God beside.
- 2 The Source of all my Happiness
 Is his eternal Name;
 Nor is there ought but Dung and Dross
 Besides my dearest Lamb.
- 3 All Things shall perish but the Word,
 He stands for-ever sure;

 Jesus for-ever is the Lord,
 Let ev'ry Pow'r adore.
- 4 This Word made Flesh in Bethl'hem seen,
 Incarnate was in me,
 In me, and all the Sons of Men,
 That he our Head might be.
- 5 Then up unto our Head we look,
 And bless that glorious Grace,
 Which shews us God's eternal Book
 Unseal'd in Jesu's Face.

Lead on thy Family,
'Till we all possess the Land,
The promis'd Liberty:
There amidst the holy Throng
We all shall see thy blissful Face,
Singing one eternal Song
To Christ, the God of Grace.

2 In thy bleeding Heart shall we
All find our bless'd Abode;
Each disowning all for thee,
Thou wounded Lamb of God:
There possessing all we want
In thy rich Fulness, holy Lamb,
Hence we all are now content
To bear thy Cross and Shame.

3 In thy fmitten Body we
Are pure for evermore;
Happy to Eternity,
We will our Lord adore:
We in Christ, our Ark, abide,
O'er each Temptation still we foar;
We disdain the swelling Tide,
And soon shall reach the Shore.

4 Farewell all this World below,
And all that Earth calls good,
We rejoice no more in you,
We are redeem'd by Blood.

Now redeem'd to God we prove

A fafe Afylum from our Fears;

All the Heights, and Depths of Love,
In Jesu's Blood appears.

XVII.

Y Redeemer, let me be
Quite happy at thy Feet,
Still to know myself and thee,
Be this my bitter sweet:
Look upon my Infant State,
And with a Father's yearning bless;
Don't thy ransom'd Child forget,
Nor leave me in Distress.

My Saviour's bleeding Love;
All thy Gifts, my God, misus'd,
When by Temptation drove:
Justly I deserv'd to be
Forsaken by my Lord and God;
Yet shall Justice plead for me,
For whom thou shedst thy Blood.

3 Thy bleft Smiles, my gracious Lord,
Shall cheer my drooping Heart;
I'm instructed in thy Word,
That thou unchanging art:
Draw me to the Depth profound
Of all thy Sorrows, Blood and Sweat,
Passing on, thro' ev'ry Wound,
Unto thy Mercy Seat:

4 There,

There, reclining on thy Breast,
Th' eternal Sabbath find;
Proving in thee perfect Rest
To my poor lab'ring Mind;
Waiting till my Lord I see,
And be like him for-ever pure,
At the heav'nly Jubilee,
This Bliss to me is sure.

XVIII.

- Earest, holy, wounded Lamb!
 Thou art still my constant Lover;
 At thy Feet I blush with Shame,
 When thy Beauties I discover;
 There I die and live again,
 Here I Life divine obtain.
- In thy Wounds I shall abide;
 There I find my great Salvation;
 There defy the swelling Tide,
 And the Strength of each Temptation;
 Deep inlaid in Jesu's Heart,
 He with me can never part.
- O! his Grace and Love, how free!

 Everlasting and unchanging;

 Strange its Influence on me,

 Pow'rfully my Heart estranging

 From all, but the Man who dy'd,

 None but Jesus crucify'd.

These that I should prove
These thy Riches, O my Saviour,
Live in thee, the Source of Love,
There redeem'd and blest for-ever?
Sure thy Grace, my God, is free,
Else it ne'er had favour'd me.

XIX.

- I SR'EL, trust thou in the Lord,

 Jesus thy dear Portion is!
 He, the great incarnate Word,

 Is thy Strength, and Righteousness:

 He will thine abide;

 Jesus is thy Dwelling-Place,

 Closely shelter'd in his Grace,

 From all Sin and Satan hide.
- In the Lord is Vict'ry found
 For the struggling Sinner still;
 Shortly we shall all be crown'd
 On Mount Zion's holy Hill:
 O! the Mount of God,
 There shall we his Wonders tell,
 Sing how we were sav'd from Hell,
 By his Sorrows, Wounds and Blood.

XX.

Ruest Lover of thy People,

Nought can turn thy Heart from me;
In thy Death thy poor Disciple
Still obtains true Liberty,
Thy blest Word, and Kind Behaviour,
Death and Torments, Wounds and Blood,
Still assures me, O my Saviour,
That thou art my Lord, my God.

From thee I can never wander
Fatally, but shall abide
In that bleeding Fountain yonder,
Shelter'd in thy pierced Side:
There my Jesus freely gives me
All the Glory he's receiv'd;
As he dy'd, so now he lives me;
This is Heav'n, when once believ'd.

XXI.

DOW the Lamb afcends on high,
Behold him, Sons of God,
Captive led Captivity,
All conquer'd by his Blood:
With him, we are rifen too,
In him, from ev'ry Charge fet free;
In our rifen Christ we view
Our endless Liberty.

- 2 Jefus is gone up on High, Ye Sons of Adam hear; Why will you despair and die In all your Sin and Fear: Gifts of Glory he receives, That God, your God, might dwell with you, And whoe'er in him believes, Shall find the Record true.
- 3 God's gone up with merry Noise,
 And with the Trumpet's Sound;
 Hence our high, triumphant Joys
 Shall evermore abound:
 Tho' rebellious once, deceiv'd,
 Yet now our Tongues can greatly tell,
 Jesus hath that Gift receiv'd,
 Of God, with us to dwell.
- 4 Our dear Lord's gone up on High,
 But first he greatly stood
 Th' Object of our Misery,
 Resisting Sin to Blood.
 In our Nature, Person, Name,
 Was Jesus, by the Law, arraign'd,
 Bearing all our Curse and Shame,
 As long as ought remain'd.
- 5 Now our Life's gone up on High,
 Each Babe in Zion knows
 How that God did justify
 His Church, when Jesus rose;

Press we now then to attain
The Resurrection of the Dead,
Where the Members born again
Are persect as the Head.

XXII.

On the Birth of Jesus.

- ET all the Nations of the Earth
 Sing of the great Redeemer's Birth!
 That once despised Man:
 O how immense the Mystery;
 The Father of Eternity
 Contracted to a Span.
- The fallen Sons of Men he took,
 Such that were written in his Book,
 Did all our State assume,
 That we with him, from Sin set free,
 That pure and holy Thing might be,
 Born from the Virgin's Womb.
- 2 Lo! there a Man was born again,
 Exempt from Adam's dreadful Stain,
 And fully meet for Heav'n:
 And here the fallen Sons of Earth
 Are born of God, this their New-birth,
 This Grace to them is giv'n.

4 With Angel-Hosts we join to sing
The Praises of our new-born King,
Our God incarnate bless,
Whose holy, strange, mysterious Birth,
Brought heavenly Joys to Sons of Earth,
With Peace and Righteousness.

XXIII.

- Ortals behold your dying God,
 Take Refuge in his Name;
 Come, wash your Robes white in the Blood
 Of Christ, the slaughter'd Lamb.
- 2 O'tis eternal Life to know
 His Godhead, Blood, and Fame:
 The Scriptures fay, he dy'd for you,
 Then venture on the Lamb.
- 3 Now welcome all who come to God, In Christ, the Saviour's Name; There's full Redemption in his Blood; Then do not slight the Lamb.
- 4 O that you God, the Saviour, knew, And that he bore your Shame; Dy'd, rose again, and lives for you, Then would you prize the Lamb.
- 5 What Love, what Kindness did he shew! When he from Heaven came,

To bear away all Sin from you, Behold the holy Lamb.

6 How rich the Blood which once did flow!
To cover us from Shame;
We'll bow before thy Foot-stool low,
And hail thee, lovely Lamb.

7 O Christ, our God, our bleeding King, We'll ever fing thy Fame; Here and in Heav'n we'll shout and sing Thy Glories, worthy Lamb.

XXIV.

I Y dear Master Jesus Christ,
For Peace to thee I sty;
In thee Saviour, I am blest
To all Eternity:
Free from Care, and Sin, and Strife,
I rest in my dear Bridegroom's Love;
Ever living in that Life,
Which Jesus lives Above.

O! the Heights of Jesu's Grace,
Which I so richly view,
Saviour, in thy lov'd Embrace
Are Blessings ever new:
Blessings, constant as the Day,
Flows from that wounded Heart of thine;
All the Force of Words can't say
How glorious, how divine.

- The mighty Prince of Life;
 Him to praise for evermore,
 Be now my only Strife:
 That God might not frown on me,
 Nor doom my Soul to Banishment,
 He upon the shameful Tree
 To suffer was content.
- A Patient he the Cross endur'd
 Did all the Shame despise,
 Well he knew and was assur'd,
 This bloody Sacrifice
 Should his Children all complete
 In spotless Truth and Purity;
 This the Joy before him set
 When he engag'd to die.
- Here my Sin and Curse was drown'd,
 Redemption here obtain'd;
 Here the Peace, once lost, was found,
 And Life eternal gain'd:
 Dead upon the Cross, in him,
 Atonement for my Sin I see,
 Weeping from each lifeless Limb,
 For Enemies, for me.

XXV.

BY Jesu's Blood-shedding I Happiness gain, My Heart's ever pleading the Fruit of his Pain; The The Blessings for-ever made over to me By my dying Saviour on the shameful Tree; How sweet the Relation, my Lord, and my God, Eternal Salvation I view in thy Blood.

2 Then thou my Soul venture on his Death and Smart,

Into his Wounds enter and view his dear Heart;
No more be thou grieving, oppress'd with thy Sin,
But live by believing where thou art made clean;
Look up to thy Surety, and still in his Blood,
Behold all thy Purity, Meetness for God.

3 Here would I live ever, 'tis here I am bleft,
The Wounds of the Saviour is my perfect Rest;
In Spirit here meeting the Friends of the Lamb,
With heavenly Greeting we'll hail his dear Name,
As one all agreeing to praise our Lord, God,
And thank him for freeing our Souls by his Blood.

XXVI:

I MY dear Redeemer, dying God,
Who wast a Man like me,
Once nail'd to the accursed Wood,
My guilty Soul to free:
I love to hear of all thy Smart,
(Thou bear'st it all for me)
To see thy open bleeding Heart,
Where I from Sin am free.

Thy Blood is Gilead's Balm indeed,
Thy People's Hurt it heals;
Revives and quickens from the Dead,
My Pardon writes and feals:
Sown deeply in thy bleeding Wounds,
I firmly rooted am;
My Root, my Growth, my Fruit abounds,
In thee, thou spotless Lamb.

Now by thy Death and Blood;
With thee, my Christ, my Life is hid
In all the Pow'r of God:
When thou, my Life, with Trumpets blown,
Appear'st on Clouds of Heav'n,
Then shall that glorious Life be known,
Which God to me hath giv'n.

XXVII.

- I TOW strange the Tidings, how profound!
 That God a Man should be;
 In Servant's Form the Lord was found,
 To make us Servants free.
- 2 He of his Love did Man affure,
 Proclaiming all his Name;
 E'en when the Bridal-Chamber pure
 The Virgin's Womb became.

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- Our Father lov'd us Worms fo well,
 He put our Nature on,
 And thus became Immanuel,
 The Father and the Son.
- 4 He finish'd what his Love began,.

 For Adam's ruin'd Race;

 We see the God shine thro' the Man,

 In dear Immanuel's Face.
- 5 This facred Unity maintains
 Our constant Peace with God;
 Our Sin's aton'd for by his Pains,
 His Sorrow and his Blood.

XXVIII.

- OME ye Lovers of the Lamb,
 Praise the great Almighty Name;
 To your God your Songs begin,
 To the Lamb, your bleeding King.
- 2 Jesus, thee we Honours give; Live, Almighty Jesus, live; Thou hast penn'd our Songs with Blood, Thee we hail, incarnate God.
- 3 We were laden once with Sin, But the Lamb hath made us clean; We, who once in Darkness lay, Now behold eternal Day.

- 4 Strangers once and far from God, Now brought Home by Jesu's Blood, Shining in our Wedding Dress, In the Lord, our Righteousness.
- Full of Wants, and fore oppress'd;

 Fesus now hath rais'd us high,

 All our Grievances redress'd.
- 6 Deeply finking once in Hell,
 Without Hope, and without God;
 Now our Tongues can greatly tell,
 We are fav'd by Jesu's Blood.
- 7 Freely we are fav'd by Grace,
 Heart and Hand we this embrace;
 This Below fill ev'ry Tongue
 This Above is all the Song.
- 8 Praises still to Christ we sing,

 Christ our Prophet, Priest, and King;

 Th' living Waters in us slow,

 Glory is begun below.

XXIX.

Nazarene,
Who once was oppressed,
And forely distressed,

When thou didst lie under my Curse and my Shame,
To save me for-ever, ador'd be thy Name.

2 There in that deep Wound, I view in thy Side,

I fee my Election, And all my Perfection;

Beholding the Glory of thy Blood-bought Bride, Amongst the dear Number who in thee confide.

I bow to none other,

But thee my dear Lover,

With Wonder I view thee on the bloody Tree,

And hear thee, Lamb, crying, 'Tis finish'd for thee:

4 That Moment I prov'd the Grace of thy Name,
Where all Things I wanted
Unto me was granted;
Yea, mine is thy Fulness that's always the same,
That still I might praise thee, thou meek slaughter'd
Lamb.

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